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LETTERS

Football: Steven Williamson Memorial Trophy

Ten years on and bigger than ever; this year we raised £1,125 from our raffle, our quiz night and generous donations from this year's winners Lyng utd and Great Witchingham Cricket Club.

The money always has been donated to the Children's Fund at the Norfolk & Norwich University Hospital. Many thanks to everyone who helped in various ways. See you all next year.

The Williamson Family.

Jimmy Turner

Thank you to everyone for their cards and kind messages after the loss of Jimmy. We shall not only miss his smiling face, he was our best friend as well as a loving husband, Dad and Grandad. We have so many happy memories. Special thanks to Tony, Jimmy and Barry for their visits to keep him going as long as he did. Also to Mary-Ann and David for their help and kindness. Our thanks to you all.

Janet & Paul Turner

Bawdeswell Post Office

We all owe an enormous debt of gratitude to Wendy for saving our Post Office when the garage moved and for keeping it going over the past few years. Most of us did not appreciate how difficult it had become over the past twelve months once the boiler had failed in the Folland Court building.

I would like to record the thanks of the Bawdeswell Parish Council to Wendy for her service, her constant helpfulness and her perseverance in the face of such conditions. All of us who use the Post Office will miss her.

I know that it is a worrying time when rural post offices are under review and the Parish Council is seeking information from Post Office headquarters about the future of our post office. We want Wendy replaced and the future of the Bawdeswell Post Office assured.

John Mallen, Chairman Bawdeswell Parish Council

Lost Cat

Black, Neutered Male 1 Year Old Micro-chipped. Missing from Foxley since Sat. 1st. Sept.

He is easily recognisable as he doesn't have ear flaps.

Any information on his whereabouts, Please ring Jean or Ron on 01362688042

OCTOBER DIARY

Mon 1st	Bawdeswell PC 7.45pm "Project Bawdeswell"
Tues 2nd	<i>Tuesday Garden</i> open at Street Farm Foxley
Wed 3rd	<i>Foxley Social Club 2pm Talk by Peter Cook Part II Medieval Norwich</i>
Thurs 4th	Book Club meets at Old Workhouse 7.30pm
Fri 5th	Mothers & Toddlers, BVH 9 – 11.30am Julian Group 8pm at Barwick House
Sat 6th	Sale in aid of Rescued Horses, FVH 2 - 4pm Friends Of Bawdeswell Church CEILIDH 7pm at RHS
Sun 7th	Foxley Harvest 3.30pm, tea at Village Hall
Mon 8th	BECK WI, Old Schoolroom Sparham 7.30pm
Fri 12th	Mothers & Toddlers, BVH 9 – 11.30am
Sat 13th	Project Bawdeswell Steering Group 10am Lyng Harvest Supper 7pm
Tues 16th	ADULTS BINGO 2 - 5pm Bawdeswell Village Hall
Wed 17th	<i>Foxley Social Club 2pm Talk by Peter Pavey My Tin Can Alley Days Part II</i>
Thurs 18th	School Harvest Service in the church after lunch
Fri 19th	Mothers & Toddlers, BVH 9 – 11.30am Julian Group 8pm at Barwick House LYNG Quiz & Chips night
Sun 21st	Harvest GiG Service 10am Bawdeswell church
Mon 22nd – Fri 26th	HALF TERM AT BAWDESWELL VILLAGE HALL See page 18 for full programme of events.
Tues 23rd	Mobile Police Station, The Street, Bawdeswell 11 – 12.30pm Teens Drop-In Centre, 7 -9.30pm at BVH
Sat 27th	Christmas Fayre at Bawdeswell Village Hall 11am – 3pm
Tues 30th	ADULTS BINGO 2 - 5pm Bawdeswell Village Hall
Wed 31st	Foxley Social Club 2pm Tea & Cakes

Foxley Village Hall: **Exercise Classes** every Tuesday morning at 9.30am.
Short Mat Bowls: Every Monday & Friday evening.
Social Club meets every second Wednesday at 2pm

FOXLEY SOCIAL CLUB

The committee would like to express their belated apologies for the last minute cancellation on the 11th July of Mrs. Sue Lilwall's talk on The Chelsea Experience. We understand the disappointment this caused; but Mrs. Lilwall had recently undergone surgery on her knees, and had not recovered as thoroughly as she had hoped. I'm sure we can all identify with that situation, and send her our wishes for a satisfactory recovery.

As a last minute stand-in we were fortunate to engage the services of Mr. Eric Hill who has a studio at North Tuddenham where he makes sticks. He brought along samples of his many different types of walking-sticks and hiking-sticks all made from a great range of woods and in many different shapes; there were even some with inset handles of horn and antler. He talked us through the intricacies of his craft which he took up after his retirement, and his enthusiasm and love of his work was quite apparent to us all.

The club's next speakers were on the 25th July, when we were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Hodson: "Hodson's Choice". Drawing on their vast experience in the theatre (both local and countrywide) we were treated to readings from poems and prose, and anecdotes from their past times all relating to the human state both humorous and tragic. It was an hour of knowing smiles.

The club held its A.G.M. on the 8th August. The committee was retained, and various subjects were discussed, the most salient subject being the continuation of the club. Over the past months the attendance has gradually dwindled to the point where finding the cost of the hall rental and the speakers has become harder and harder. It was, therefore, with great regret decided, on a show of hands, to wind up the club at Christmas. The programme of speakers will, of course, be honoured up to then.

Having written the above paragraph some two or three weeks ago, the Chair has just heard that the club's next speaker, Mr John Balls will not be able to appear on the 5th September as the poor fellow has contracted diabetes along with some at the moment undiagnosed condition for which he is undergoing hospital tests. I am sure all our thoughts are with him.

S.B.

The club will be holding a Christmas celebration on Friday 14th December at the Cliftonville Hotel, Gorleston. There will be a three course silver service Christmas lunch (varied menu), cabaret and afternoon dancing. The coach will leave Foxley Village Hall at 11.30 am, and return at 5.30—6 pm. There are a few seats available for £22. 00. all inclusive. Those interested should contact the Social Secretary on 688 260.

FOXLEY OPEN GARDEN

(next to Church)

Cyclamen and colchicums appeared as unexpected patches of colour under the trees on our fifth 'Open Garden' day on the 4th September. The sunny weather was just right to invite visitors to sit and enjoy tea and home-made cakes. Jams and jellies were also very popular. The sound of the stationary engines in the background gave a real Country Fair flavour to the day.

Usually the beginning of October brings changing colours in trees and shrubs setting off the ripening fruits and berries. The most spectacular sight should be the fiery colours of the pin oak (*quercus palustris*) so called because the hardness of the wood was used instead of iron nails in the construction of 16th century ships.

Weather permitting we hope to run the old farm stationary engines again on our last open day—**Tuesday 2nd October**. There should also be a nice selection of winter pansies for sale.

John and Mary Fletcher.

FOXLEY VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Open Garden, Working Stationary Engines & Village Hall Activities

On behalf of the Committee, I would like to say a big thank-you to all those who contributed, helped or visited on 8th September. Great teamwork, coupled with plenty of laughter and banter made for an enjoyable village day and the excellent sum of £450 was raised for improvements to the Village Hall.

Ruth Whitmore

RACE EVENING

Saturday 29th September

7 for 7.30pm at FOXLEY VILLAGE HALL

Tickets: £4 Adult, £2 Child under 14,

includes buffet supper.

**In aid of Bintree Bowls Club, Tel: 684491 &
688768**



Friends of Bawdeswell Church

Our annual Ceilidh will be held at Reepham High School again this year on Saturday 6th October. Tickets cost £12.50 and are available from Robin and Sandi Taylor on 01362 688268. As usual there will be a hog roast and home made seasonal puddings. We have a new band with a caller this year called Rake the Shingle – they are a local group, based in North Elmham and we look forward to a fun packed evening. Do please come along and join in – no one minds if you have two left feet or don't know your right from your left. It all adds to the fun. Just to remind you the Coffee Morning planned for the same date is cancelled and the Quarterly Draw will take place at the Ceilidh.

The Christmas family concert will take place on Sunday 16th December, and we look forward to the school choir and musicians taking part again.

Plans for the May Ball on 17th May 2008 are going ahead and details will be in future magazines. Do keep this date free in your diaries – it's a splendid affair and well worth coming to.

CEILIDH

SATURDAY 6th OCTOBER

**Rake The Shingle Ceilidh Band with Caller
Hearty Harvest Supper**

Tickets still available 01362 688268

Foxley Parish Council Meeting

Précis of meeting on Tuesday 11 September 2007 in the Village Hall.

Present: Mr Harvey, Mr Barrett and Mrs Nightingale(Pritchard), Mrs Floering Blackman, 12 parishioners and the clerk. Mr Mears and Mr Hatch and the District Councillor had sent apologies.

Minutes of the last meeting on 11 July 2007 were approved and signed.

The Chairman introduced Angie Powles our local Police Community Support Officer who gave a resume of the work of the new Safe Neighbourhood Teams. Once all PCSOs had been trained and were in post, Norfolk would be fully covered by a network of cells comprising Police Officers and PCSOs. The Community Officer could act as eyes and ears on each patch and deal with low key neighbourhood disputes. They would also raise public awareness of the need to report every incident to the central station at Wymondham where it is logged so that coherent patterns can be discerned.

Matters arising:

1. Saffron Housing had withdrawn their application.
2. The Council resolved to adopt The Code of Conduct including paragraph 12(2).
3. All village assets, i.e. The Hall, the War Memorial, bus shelter and the village sign were now fully insured.

Drainage Matters-The Vice chairman had sent a report of his dealings with Anglian Water who after 29 phone calls in one month plus a site visit, had agreed to re look at the way sewage was to be dealt with. Before W Foxley scheme can start, surveyors will look closely at E Foxley and if the two are to be linked. The Emergency Plan still needed more volunteers; hopefully they would come from the Homewatch Team.

Planning Applications

DR Builders application for a pair of 2 bedroom cottages had been withdrawn . Permission was granted to Mr & Mrs Edwards for the demolition and erection of a single storey extension.

DR Builders had resubmitted their application regarding the above cottages but this time each dwelling would have 2 car spaces. Good deal of comment from the public and strong objections would be sent to Breckland.

Village Matters -Mr Bambridge was dealing with Andrew Grimley from Breckland regarding the smell of Mr Davis' pit at Church Farm Barns. He will monitor the situation.

The broken white barriers on the highway at Chapel Road (W) were inspected and put on the list for maintenance by Highways.

Councillor Hatch though absent, had penned a submission regarding a recent AGM

of the Village Hall at which the possibility of a permanent license was raised. A group of villagers were in total disagreement and the matter dropped. Councillor Hatch pointed out that the VHC gave of their time and efforts voluntarily for the benefit of the village as a whole and he felt that the opposition to the idea offered an insult to the committee for a reasonable and reasoned suggestion. He proposed that the Parish council expresses its appreciation and full support of the Hall Committee in its management of the Hall. The Council did so.

The painting of the Village Hall had been done in conjunction with Norfolk Probation Service and everyone agreed that they had done a great job. Highways were to be asked to cut brambles on the old road to Bawdeswell and to remove Natterjack signs from the verges.

Finance: The financial report was presented and signed. The clerk was given permission to go change the arrangements for the deposit account.

Date of the next meeting was booked for Tuesday 11 Dec at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

Newly Registered Child Minder in Bawdeswell/Foxley

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BADGERS TODDLER GROUP

has moved to

**Bawdeswell Village Hall
Fridays 9.30 – 1130**

*Come along for a chat
and a coffee*

CRAFT FAIR SATURDAY 10 NOVEMBER

FOXLEY VILLAGE HALL 10 - 2

All Welcome

In aid of BADGERS TODDLER GROUP

Bawdeswell Community Primary School

Welcome back to everyone, we hope you all had a good holiday!
Welcome to all the new children starting this term, we are sure you will all be happy here at Bawdeswell School.
We now have three classes in school:

Pandas	Year R, 1 & 2
Rhinos	Year 3 & 4
Dolphins	Year 5 & 6

All children have settled in very well and children all seem to be working hard.

HELP NEEDED

During the summer holiday a group of children raised monies to enable us to improve the pond area. We are looking for volunteers to restore the pond area to its former glory. If you can help please see Mrs Vaissiere or Mr Kerkham.

DONATIONS

We have been very fortunate to receive monies from the wills of two benefactors in the last few months.

Mr Winterbone's bequest has been used to provide the school with new ICT equipment including a video camera, a tape machine and various other pieces of equipment.

Miss Joice's bequest has been used to start a maths library for the children to borrow games to take home.

School Year Term Dates- 07/08


Autumn Term *Monday 3rd September 07 to Wednesday 19th December 07
Half Term Monday 22nd October to Friday 26th October 07

Spring Term Thursday 3rd January 2008 to Thursday 20th March 2008
Half Term Monday 11th February 2008 to Friday 15th February 2008

Summer Term *Monday 7th April 2008 to Tuesday 22nd July 2008
MAY DAY Monday 5th May 2008 – **Children do not attend school**
Half Term Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May 2008

INSET DAYS Thursday 3rd & Friday 4th January 2008, Monday 7th April 2008 and Thursday 26th June 2008 are designated as staff development days. **Children do not attend school on these days.**

Harvest Festival Thursday October 18th in the afternoon.



Norfolk Constabulary
Keeping Norfolk Safe

MOBILE POLICE OFFICE

The Mobile Police Office will be in 'The Street' Bawdeswell 11am until 12.30pm every 4th Thursday.

Future Dates for 2007 are
28th September, 26th October, 23rd November, 20th December

<p style="text-align: center;">PLATINUM FARM STABLES</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Fund Raising Sale in aid of rescued ponies</p> <p style="text-align: center;">6th OCTOBER FOXLEY VILLAGE HALL. 2pm – 4pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Jumble – Bric-a-Brac – Books</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Cake Stall – Toys – s/h Tack</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Raffle – Tombola</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tea and Biscuits</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FREE ENTRANCE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Come along and meet some of our ponies</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Contact: 01362 688042</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAYRE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bawdeswell Village Hall Saturday 27th October 11 – 3</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Come along for an exciting shopping event Save trawling around the shops. Many great gift ideas.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Raffle</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Refreshments will be available</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For more information: Wendy 01362 688602</p> <p style="text-align: center;">All proceeds in aid of Bawdeswell Activity Group</p>
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Bawdeswell Activities Group (BAG)

The summer activities scheme has been a huge success and lots of fun. A total of 360 children and 166 parents came along and joined in the organised events, as well as making use of the indoor and outdoor sports and games equipment.

A big 'thank you' goes to the 15 volunteers for all their hard work.

We raised a significant amount of money for the scheme. There were two grant applications, both successful to Breckland Council and Price Waterhouse Cooper through the Norfolk Community Foundation. Funds were raised from a quiz night plus donations from the Parish Council and residents. Lots of toys, games and sports equipment have been purchased, including 5 a side football goals and a 3 in 1 games (pool) table. A set of cricket nets will be put up once a location has been agreed.

The activities scheme will continue during future half term breaks, Easter and summer school holidays.

The Group is looking for additional volunteers/event leaders to help with the scheme during 2008. Please contact Janet on 688749.

Future Events

Following on from the summer activities BAG will be running a number of events during the autumn at the Village Hall.

ADULT BINGO AFTERNOONS every other Tuesday commencing 16th October from 2-5 pm. Eyes Down at 2.15. If you have difficulty getting to the hall transport can be arranged. Call Janet on 688749.

HALF TERM AT THE HALL Monday October 22nd to Friday 26th 1.30 - 5.30pm. Details are on a separate page in this issue.

DROP IN EVENT Tuesday 23rd October 7-9.30pm for teenagers
Pool, Snooker, Table Tennis, Darts, Bring your own CD's

CHRISTMAS FAYRE Saturday 27th October 11am - 3pm

MOTHER & TODDLER GROUP - The BAG CAFE will be open from 9.30 to 11.30am every Friday during term time for the Mother and Toddler Group.

BRIDGE CLUB – if anyone is interested in joining or setting up a Bridge Club, please contact Janet on 688749.



BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL-EXTRACTS OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER 2007 AT 7.45pm IN THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Councillors Mallen, Shannon, Cockburn, Hipperson, Beane and Mason.

Mr. G. Bambridge (DC) 48 parishioners

APOLOGIES: Councillor Lilwall. Mrs. I. Floering Blackman (CC)

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Agreed and signed

The Chairman opened the meeting stating that the Parish Council had changed the format of meetings to try to encourage more Parishioners to attend and would, in the future, be inviting Officials to speak at the meetings – eg Breckland officials about Planning/LDF, Police etc – to help Parishioners understand the work/role of the Parish Council.

He then introduced the officials from Breckland Council – David Spencer (Principal Planning Policy Officer, Paul Harris and Lee Webster (Enabling & Projects Officer – affordable housing) – to talk about the Local Development Framework and Bawdeswell's role within that strategy.

David Spencer handed out a booklet introducing the LDF and work carried out to date (Clerk has spare copies if anyone would like one). Breckland are looking at specific areas for development such as the large towns of Thetford and Dereham but also villages which could benefit from new housing and employment which are to be called Local Service Centres (Bawdeswell not identified in any draft LDF documents although it continues to develop). The criteria is for the village to have a population of 1,000+ parishioners, a school, shop, PO, doctors surgery, public transport and employment - Bawdeswell fulfils only two of those categories! The Local Plan would allow for infilling, conversions and suitable use of appropriately located previously developed land.

Future role for Bawdeswell – choices are: a) to promote Bawdeswell as a Local Service Centre **or**

b) broadly keep things as they are, where the settlement boundary stays largely as it is. Breckland will be consulting on final draft Strategy early 2008 and there is a 6 week period for comment. Copies will be sent to PC.

The Parish Council now had to – formulate ideas/thoughts – encourage community involvement.

The Parish Council will keep Parishioners fully informed about developments.

The Chairman thanked everyone present for attending the meeting.

Planning:

-32 Norwich Road –proposed replacement extension/conversion of existing garage to study/bedroom. NO OBJECTIONS

-The Cottage, The Drift – proposed single storey linked detached annexe (resubmission) – PC objections – it is outside Settlement Boundary and does not demonstrate that it is essential in connection with agriculture, forestry etc. Also there appears little difference to original PA (refused) which could become separate building.

New Code of Conduct: The PC adopts the new Model Code of Conduct including paragraph 12(2) –effective immediately. Advert to be put in EDP under Breckland. PO – will officially close on Wednesday 19th September – Chairman and Clerk in discussion with Norfolk Rural Community Council as to the future of some sort of service in the village.

THE PC WOULD LIKE TO THANK JANET AND DAVID COCKBURN FOR ALL THEIR HARD WORK IN ORGANISING/HELPING WITH THE SUMMER BAWDESWELL ACTIVITIES GROUP- THIS HAS BEEN A GREAT SUCCESS.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE ON MONDAY 1ST OCTOBER AT 7.45pm IN THE VILLAGE HALL -

THERE WILL BE A PRESENTATION BY PROJECT BAWDESWELL – UPDATING EVERYONE ON THE CURRENT SITUATION REGARDING FUNDING/FUTURE PLANS FOR THE HALL. ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND TO FIND OUT WHAT IS HAPPENING AND HOW THEY CAN HELP IN FUTURE. (5th NOVEMBER PC MEETING – VISIT BY BRECKLAND PLANNING OFFICERS)



The Steering Group of Project Bawdeswell met on Saturday 8 September after a Summer break. The most exciting business was going over the success of the Activities Sub-Group work during the school holidays when 360 children and 166 adults attended the village hall during the 6 weeks of open afternoons. Janet and David Cockburn cannot be thanked enough for the efforts they put into setting up and organising this initiative. They and their team of helpers became involved with the children's games and I am not sure who enjoyed playing the most! Unable to rest on their laurels the group has already lined up a full programme of activities for the half term holiday and are talking about next year. None of this happens by itself and it isn't all fun, there has been a lot of paper work, first aid training, grant applications and fund raising to be done. So a well-deserved BIG thank you goes to all concerned.

The next meeting of the Steering Group is to be held on Saturday 13 October 2007 at 10.00 am.

Bawdeswell Activities Group **HALF TERM AT THE HALL**

***Activities for Children and Adults,
Young and Not So Young***

***Bawdeswell Village Hall 1.30pm to 5.30pm
Monday 22nd to Friday 26th October 2007***

***We have lots of games and toys, both indoor and outdoor for you to use
and light refreshments are available.***

Come along and play - there is no admission charge

Plus - Organised Events Every Day

Monday 22nd October – 2pm to 4pm

Make your own Christmas Cards - Make and decorate Christmas Cards using crayons and colourful paint etc! £1 per person nominal charge.

For more information contact Karin 688338 or Janet 688749

Tuesday 23rd October – 2pm to 4pm

Lisa's DRIVE U POTTERY – Painting Christmas pottery for all ages.

Prices from £1.50 – no booking required. More information from Lisa 667093.

Tuesday 23rd October – 7pm to 9.30pm

Drop-In-Event for Teenagers – Pool, Table Tennis, Darts, BYO Music

Wednesday 24th October – 2pm to 4pm Breckland Event

Introduction to Cartoon Drawing with Jim Aitchison Put pencils and pastels to paper using various techniques to create your own cartoon character! (£2 Nominal Charge to be confirmed)

Thursday 25th October 2pm to 4pm

Make your own Halloween Mask - Make and decorate masks for Halloween.

£1 per person nominal charge. Contact Karin 688338 or Janet 688749

Friday 26th October 2pm to 4pm

Halloween Tea Party & Fancy Dress Competition

A child participation activity preparing the food. **Please arrive by 2 p.m.**

£1 per child nominal charge. Numbers limited to 30 children.

BOOK IN ADVANCE – Contact Wendy 688602 or

Janet 688749

Bawdeswell Activities Group Inspired by



Bawdeswell Activities Group is the working name of "Bawdeswell Village Hall Committee – Community Activities Group, Registered Charity No. 800970"

Bawdeswell Village Hall

Bawdeswell Village hall is available for hire by both parishioners and non residents. At present the hall is available most weekdays during the day and alternate Wednesday evenings. There are lots of Saturdays and Sundays still free. You can also hire tables and chairs for you own events. A 6m x 4m tent is available for hire for you garden event. Regular activities at the hall include Aerobics on Monday Evenings, Dog Training on Tuesday evenings, Countryside Rangers every other Wednesday, Weight Watchers on Thursday evenings and Pilates on Friday evenings.



Hire Charges 2007

Period	Hire Charge	Parishioners
Per Hour	£8	£7.50
4 Hours	£30	£25
6 Hours	£45	£35
12 Hours	£60	£45
Full Day	£80	£55

For availability, more details and a booking form please contact the booking clerk:-
David Cockburn
 Tel: (01362) 688749
 Mobile: 07778 835 254
 Email: BawdeswellVH@aol.com

Further reductions or free hire is available for Bawdeswell Community groups on weekdays when the hall is not otherwise in use.

Village Hall Committee

The Village Hall Committee is still struggling to keep going and desperately needs more members. There are 800 plus people in the village and just half a dozen of you could help make a big difference. We meet in the village hall at 8pm on the 3rd Monday of each month. Please come and join us !!



Do something amazing today

Save a life Give blood

Bawdeswell Dates 2007
 Tuesday 27th November 2007
 1pm to 3.10pm and 4.30pm to 6.55pm

The Mobile Blood Donor Van (Bloodmobile) visits Bawdeswell regularly and is booked for one more date in 2007 at the Village Hall.

Please note that the regular day is now a Tuesday. The Bloodmobile also visits Reepham, North Elmham & Swanton Morley regularly if you are unable to attend on the Bawdeswell dates. Visit www.blood.co.uk for more information.

It is advisable to make an appointment by calling the NBS on 0845 7 711 711



REEPHAM & DISTRICT ROTARY

The club has agreed to donate £250 to the flood relief in the north of England. Two of the club members originate from the Rotherham area and know of the devastation. The local rotary clubs in the area are coordinating the relief project.

Members will be helping Reepham Primary School with the construction of a sand pit and the building of a 'story circle'. The work is in association with the Primary Schools PTA.

Members and wives are also helping with the adult literacy in Reepham. A 'spell trail' is being organized in Reepham for adults and children during weekends in July, August and September.

Rotarian Paul Smith is hoping to organize a phone recycling centre for Reepham and monies raised will be given to Reepham charities.

Ken Ewing



BECK WI

June Baker, our speaker for September, was welcomed to the meeting by Aleathia. We were then shown some very interesting shots taken in the U.A.E. and Dubai when June and her husband were on holiday there earlier this year.

The tall buildings were fantastic and one soon got used to seeing a mosque (sometimes two) in quite a number of the slides. Not that all the shots were of buildings. We saw many different views; a mountainous area with mountains formed of layers of rock, miles of sand dunes, and then local markets with their very colourful displays. Some really lovely slides.

June judged the postcards taken in by members. Ist Mary, 2nd Gill. The raffle was won by Sheila. Jennifer read last month's minutes and Aleathia got us up-to-date with the various mailshots received.

At the October meeting our speaker is Jon Read and the subject - Tales of the Gas Works. Hope to see you all at Sparham's Old School Room on Monday 8th at 7.30 p.m. The exhibit is a single bloom.

Mary Humphrey



BAWDESWELL FOOTBALL CLUB.

(Crown Fire Central & South Norfolk League)

Bawdeswell FC remains in Division 3 this year. Although losing their 1st league match they had an excellent 4:1 victory in their Ben Smith

Memorial Cup 2nd round match

New players and supporters are needed for the team.

For information about the club please contact Philip Duffield on (01362) 688611

BAWDESWELL BOWLS CLUB.



Bawdeswell has an excellent venue situated behind the Village Hall. New members are invited to join the club.

For further information about the club please contact Paul Digby on (01362) 688615



THE BAWDESWELL OVER 60's CLUB

Meets in the church Thursday afternoons



Reflexology

**The pathway to Relaxation
& Self-Healing**



For a treatment, a chat or to arrange a gift voucher
please contact

Johanne Wright M.I.C.H.T

Tel: 01362 688196, Billingford, (just off the B1145)

PLOUGHING MATCHES



Steve Framlingham competed in a ploughing match at Guestwick on September 9th. This was the Gerald Jones Memorial Ploughing Match. Gerald Jones died last March and arranged an annual ploughing match at Guestwick for many years. The proceeds from the event will benefit *Balloons 4 Hearts* and Gressenhall Museum. Many ploughmen took part in the ploughing, competing in 4 classes. Steve ploughed in the Classic Class which he won.

On Sunday September 16th he will be travelling to Holkham to compete in the Fakenham Farm Machinery Club match and on September 23rd to Bodham to compete in the Holt and District Farmers' Club match. On October 7th he will compete at Great Melton in the Dereham Farm Machinery Club match. The weekend of October 13th/14th Steve will compete at the British National Ploughing Championships which are being held at Crockey Hill near York. He qualified to plough at Crockey Hill at the Norfolk and Cambridgeshire qualifier last October. Organised by the Society of Ploughmen, this event expects 15,000 spectators over the 2 days.

The following weekend, on October 21st Norfolk Ploughing Society have their match at Dereham Road, Colton and *Normac* have their match on October 28th at Swanton Morley.

Steve and his wife, Dena, will soon be sending out invitations to all the ploughmen who competed in last January's Bawdeswell Ploughing Society Ploughing Match which is being held on Sunday January 13th 2008 on land kindly supplied by Mr Gurney of Bawdeswell Farms.

Steve and his father David have been asked to judge at the Essex County Championships on September 29th organised by Ken McVitie who kindly judges here at Bawdeswell each year.

Ruby Framingham



BAWDESWELL BOOK CLUB

At our August meeting we discussed **IF NOBODY SPEAKS OF REMARKABLE THINGS**, by JON MCGREGOR

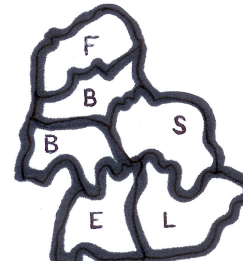
The remarkable thing about this novel is the beauty of the writing. From the opening lines 'the city it sings' – much of it is more like poetry than prose and it is worth reading for this alone.

The plot itself is fairly light. The main story focuses on the residents of an ordinary street in a northern town on a summer day – it is a slice of city living as many of us have experienced it – children playing in the street, students packing up their rooms, families eating breakfast, neighbours lighting a barbeque, coming ins and going outs. Many of the characters are only referred to by their descriptions – 'the girl with the square glasses' or the 'man with the scarred hands', which underlines the anonymity of our modern lives. Information is revealed slowly like layers unwrapping a piece at a time in a way that is compelling and small everyday dramas unfold. Overshadowing this is a sense of foreboding at the event the novel is leading up to which will briefly bind all the characters together.

I loved this novel for the language and the descriptions and the 'everyday'ness of it. If your idea of a good read is a fast-paced thriller, this is probably not for you. It is a 'love it or hate it' read and you will know from reading the first paragraph whether you want to curl up in an armchair with it or put it back on the shelf.

Chrissie Pickard

The Book Club meets in the Workhouse on the first Thursday of every month at 7.30 pm and welcomes new members. We mostly obtain books from the Library so there is not the expense of buying new books each month. During September we are reading The Various Haunts of Men by Susan Hill. This will be discussed at our next meeting on 4 October 2007. The book for discussion at our November meeting, on 1 November, is On Beauty by Zadie Smith.



Benefice News and Events

Now that the Summer is coming to an end we are starting on the Autumn events.

We start with the **Friends of Bawdeswell Church Ceilidh** to be held at Reepham High School on Saturday 6th October from 7-11pm. Dancing will be to Rake the Shingle and supper is a hog roast and home made puddings. The quarterly Hundred Club Draw will take place during the ceilidh and not at the church coffee morning as per usual. Tickets are £12.50 available from Sandi Taylor on 10362 688268

Lyng Church is hosting its **Harvest Supper** at the village hall on Saturday 13th October at 7pm. Look out for posters with information on buying tickets.

The **Friends of St Margaret's Church Lyng** are holding a **Quiz and Chips** night at the village hall on Friday 19th October. Again, look out for more information on the posters.

We are preparing the events list for next year so if you have arranged anything please let Sandi Taylor have the details.

JULIAN GROUP meetings: Fridays 5th, 19th Oct. & 2nd November – 8pm usually at Barwick House – Tel: 01603 870342 Susan March for details.

O Lord Jesus, our Captain and our King,

Help our minds to think of you,

Help our eyes to see for you,

Help our lips to speak of you,

Help our hands to work for you,

Help feet to walk for you,

Help our heart to love you

more and more each day. Amen.

(After David Adam)



Bawdeswell Parochial Church Council

Our thanks to our two intrepid cyclists, Ken Ewing and Robin Taylor who took part in the sponsored cycle ride on 8th September and visited 20 churches. Half the money they raise will go to the church and half to the Norfolk Churches preservation trust. Well done, both of you.

We send congratulations to Mark Barrett and Caroline Smith who were married in the church on September 1st. We wish them all the best in their new life together.

Good wishes also go to the family of Georgina Christie who was baptised on 16th September.

A new service pattern has been drawn up and will be discussed at the next churchwardens' meeting in October. The only difference to our services will be that they may change to 10.30 each Sunday but we will make sure everyone has as much notice as possible through the magazine and the church notice board.

Our harvest festival will be at the GiG service on October 21st. All donations of produce can be left in the church on Saturday 20th or can be brought to the service. The produce will be left in the church for the members of the over 60's club to help themselves.

COME TO OUR HARVEST GiG on Sunday 21st October

We have a Gig Service on the 3rd Sunday of every month and on special occasions like Easter, Harvest & Christmas.

The GiG is our **family service** and is popular with all age groups. **Once a month on the 3rd Sunday**

FOXLEY, ST. THOMAS'

Both the vandalized chancel window and its neighbour, which was found to be near collapse, have been repaired by an excellent firm, Devlin Plummer from Great Melton, Norwich. They were prompt, knowledgeable and skilful. Our architect was right to recommend them! Thanks to the generous efforts of John and Mary Fletcher and their willing helpers in opening the "Tuesday Garden" at Street Farm and a generous "ex gratia" payment from our insurers we are well on the way to paying the bill. We have been greatly blessed!

Now we are keen to start on more renovations, particularly to freshen up the walls of the chancel and to repair the plasterwork in the porch. Then we can repaint the inscription over the door: "I was glad when they said unto me let us go into the house of the Lord". Money was donated in memory of Joyce Waters towards doing this. On the "Open" days, appropriately, we did leave the door unlocked and several visitors did "go into" St. Thomas'. It gives us great pleasure when people other than the regular worshippers take an interest in the church. The P.C.C. is committed to make it a place which people are indeed "glad" to enter, not only as a piece of history, but as the sacred space at the heart of our village; a place to pray, to meditate, to feel at peace.

We have three special services to look forward to this Autumn. Firstly, James Lilwall and the Icení Choir will be coming to join us at the joint Benefice Service on 30th September at 10-30 am. Then a week later we shall decorate every corner to celebrate Harvest Festival and the Tuesday Garden project. After the Service we will gather in the Village Hall for a Harvest Tea, do come and join us! On November 11th, at 10-45 am the Service of Remembrance will be held in the church, when we shall remember all those from the six parishes who gave their lives for our country in the two World Wars.

John Harvey and Sandra Wood raised £425-00 in the Church Cycle Ride, half of which, plus Gift Aid payments will be returned to us; the other half will help the work of the Norfolk Churches Trust, which is of inestimable benefit to all Norfolk churches. The P.C.C. has reason to be grateful to both parties!

Anglian Tree Solutions will shortly be carrying out surgery on the yew and holly trees by the boundary wall of the churchyard, to tidy them up and prevent interference to traffic in the Street.

The next P.C.C. Meeting will be on 14th November.

Diana Harvey P.C.C. Secretary.

From the Rector

Dear Everybody, hello again.

I heard a comment on the radio recently that said that your vote really does matter. Admittedly, until we get proportional representation, each individual vote won't make a difference. And we all suspect that if you live in a marginal constituency, your opinions count for more with central politicians than they do if you live in a safe seat.

But this comment was that, it is the type of voter you are that matters. This is because of analysis of profiles of actual voters. If, as currently happens, about three times as many sixty-year-olds vote as do twenty-year-olds, then politicians will want to please the sixty-year-olds. The implication is, that if you don't vote, the interests of your age-group will be damaged.

A recent poll on religious faith indicated that 43% of teenagers say they have no religion or faith, compared to 20% of those in their 20s and 8% of those over 65. I wonder if the two are connected. Do the young believe less in anything, whether God or politicians? And does this mean that they feel less as though they belong?

All young people want to become individuals, to find out who they are. But unless you become a mega-star – and not many people can do that, by definition – you're not as powerful as an individual as when you are the member of a group. If we have taught the young that collective action is not effective, we have done them a disservice.

Christians join together in worship for support, strength, and to be more effective. And in all our daily lives locally, there are environmental and other campaigns where each extra voice, each extra signature is of importance. Each time we make a positive vote with our feet, with our voice, with our name, we show that we belong. To belong to a group makes you no less of an individual.

God bless you

David Head

Church of England SERVICES - Rector the Revd David Head OCTOBER 2007

DATE	7 th	14 th	21 st	24 th	28 th
<i>Season</i>	18 th after Trinity	19 th after Trinity	20 th after Trinity	<i>Wednesday</i>	Last after Trinity
BAWDESWELL	HC 1000 TC	HC 1030 DH	Harvest GiG 1000 DH	HC(PB) 0900 DH	Words & Praise 1000
BYLAUGH	HC(PB) 0900 DH	-	Harvest 3pm DH	-	-
ELSING	MP 10.30 CW	-	Family Service 10.30	-	HC 10.30TC
FOXLEY	Harvest 3.30pm DH	-	MP 09.00 CW	-	HC 0900 TC
LYNG	Harvest 6.30pm DH	-	HC(2) 0900 DH	-	Family Service 1030 FST
SPARHAM	Harvest Service 1030 DH	-	HC(PB) 1030 TC	-	HC(PB) 6.30pm TC