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Saturday 8th December 7pm

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Film details for early 2013 available in November

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LETTERS

Farewell I was with some sadness, but with happy memories that I moved from Bawdeswell on 21st June. On our arrival six and a half years ago, Phil and I were immediately welcomed by our new neighbours. Soon afterwards, on our first visit to the church, we were greeted with great warmth on entering, by Robin and Sandi Taylor. We felt at home straight away and since then we have made many friends and I thank you all for your sincerity and for your kind and caring condolences when Phil died so suddenly. Many thanks to David Head for his comfort at that time also.

Over the years Phil and I have had to make several moves due to the nature of his work, but the acquaintances we've made in Bawdeswell will always remain special and I know Phil felt the same. Just a very short while before Phil died he enjoyed taking part in 'Red Hot Cinders' and he and I were part of the special bond which formed with the cast and those involved in this production including all the back stage team – another happy memory!

Last, but not least, thank you so much to friends who organised and prepared a leaving party and to all who joined in the 'celebration' and especially to James Lilwall for his kind words.

Finally, as I hope to visit Bawdeswell again in the near future I'd like to say 'au revoir' until we meet again. *Betty Hague*

Bawdeswell Drama Group I have recently obtained an old poster from about 1950 advertising a play performed by the 'Bawdeswell Drama Group'. Does anyone in Bawdeswell have any information about this group? If you have I would be grateful if you could give me a call on 688749. *David Cockburn*

A Big Thank You to Everyone We have been overwhelmed by all the messages received as a result of Carolyn's illness – cards, telephone calls and messages via the Shop. Thank you all for your greetings and very kind thoughts. It has been a great comfort receiving them. *Mike & Carolyn Noy*

Bawdeswell Fete Well, despite the rain - and the thunder - there was a good turnout. Apologies for amending the programme of events - some things just can't be done in the rain! We even had a visit from Becky and the Radio Norfolk Treasure Hunt crew as we held 'The Treasure'. She had to sing along with our Semitone Singers (though she wasn't a patch on them) and found the envelope just in time! Thank you to all those who braved the English Summer to come and support us - it was very very much appreciated. We managed to raise £1226.67 which enabled our 6 village groups to receive just over £200 each. Thanks to all the helpers for all the organising, setting up and clearing up. Special thanks to Karen Sayer for... well, so many things.

Fel Roberts

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Aug/Sept 2012 DIARY

24 th July – 31 st Aug	Children's activities at Bawdeswell Village Hall, <i>see page 7 for details</i>
Wed 1 st Aug	Mobile Library in Bawdeswell, <i>see page 11</i>
Thu 2 nd Aug	Book Club meets at Old Workhouse Bar, 8pm
Sat 4 th Aug	Open Churches Week starts/ Project Bawdeswell Open Meeting 1030
Thu 9 th Aug	Craft Group at 2pm, <i>see page 15</i>
Mon 13 th Aug	WI at Sparham Old Schoolroom 7.30pm
Wed 15 th Aug	Coffee Morning 1030 Foxley Village Hall
Thu	Craft Group at Bawdeswell Village Hall 2pm
Mon 20 th Aug	Bawdeswell Village Hall Meeting 7.30pm
Wed 29 th Aug	Mobile Library in Bawdeswell, <i>see page 11</i>
Sun 2 nd Sept	Bawdeswell Extravaganza
Mon 3 rd Sept	Bawdeswell Parish Council Meeting 7.45pm
Thu 6 th Sept	Back to School/Craft Group at 2pm, <i>see page 15 for details/</i> Book Club meets at Old Workhouse Bar
Sat 8 th Sept	Norfolk Churches Trust Sponsored Cycle ride
Sun 9 th Sept	Tour of Britain Cycle Race passes through and round Bawdeswell
Mon 10 th Sept	WI at Sparham Old Schoolroom 7.30pm
Mon 17 th Sept	Bawdeswell Village Hall Meeting 7.30pm
Wed 19 th Sept	Coffee Morning 1030 Foxley Village Hall
Thu 20 th Sept	Craft Group at 2pm, <i>see page 15</i>
Sat 29 th Sept	Project Bawdeswell Open Meeting 1030 FOBC Harvest Supper at Bawdeswell Village hall , <i>see page 13</i>

Foxley Village Hall – regular events

Exercise Classes
Short Mat Bowls
Bridge
Table Tennis

Every Tuesday morning at 9.30am.
Every Monday & Friday Evening
Tuesday evening 7.15pm
Wednesday evening.

Bawdeswell Village Hall - regular events

*Parish Council
*Village Hall Committee
*Table Tennis
Countryiders
WeightWatchers
Running Club
Little Monkeys (Parent & Toddler Group) JayCee
Bridge Club
Pilates
Seekers

Normally 1st Monday of Month (not Jan or Aug)
Normally 3rd Monday of Month
Every Monday
Every other Wednesday in term time
Thursdays 6.15pm
Thursdays 8pm
Fridays 9.15am
Fridays 2.15pm
Fridays 7pm
1st Saturday of month

Bawdeswell Extravaganza

Sunday September 2nd 2012 - 11am to 4pm

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All profit to the New Village Hall Fund

FOXLEY VILLAGE HALL



Coffee Mornings

**Wednesday August 15th
Wednesday September 19th
at 10.30 am**

All are welcome for coffee & mardle



BAWDESWELL LADIES
Shared Lunch on Wednesday 5th September
2012 from 12. 15 – 2.15 pm

Instead of a coffee morning, let's share lunch together.
So that we can enjoy eating a good variety of food, please BOOK A PLACE
and tell me what dish/plate/drink, etc. you would like to contribute. There
will be a charge of £1.50 per person to cover hire charges. Also, there will be
a raffle. This year we are raising funds for the Quiddenham Children's
Hospice.

For booking and further information please ring Janet 688749.



Bawdeswell Village hall can be hired by both parishioners and non residents. You can also hire tables and chairs for your own events. There are a number of regular activities at the hall – see events page at front of magazine for details. We also now have a smaller meeting room available for hire. Rates for residents of Bawdeswell are just £8 an hour reducing after 2 hours or £5 an hour reducing during the day, both including heating costs.

HIRE CHARGES for Main Building (Meeting Room is 50% of charge)
Charge includes ALL heating costs

Period	(1) Standard and Commercial Hire Charge	(2) Parishioners Private Hires other than in (3)	(3) Parishioners - Hires ending by 5.30pm on Weekdays #
Minimum (2 hrs)	£20	£16	£10
4 Hours	£36	£28	£18
6 Hours	£48	£38	£26
8 Hours	£58	£46	£32
10 Hours	£66	£52	£38
12 Hours	£74	£58	£44
Additional Hours	+£4	+£3	n/a
Saturday Evening Minimum	£50	£40	n/a

Excludes Bank & Public Holidays. Other hours charged pro rata.

A refundable cash deposit of £50 is required (may be reduced or waived at the discretion of the Booking Clerk).
YOU MUST BE AGED 21 OR OVER TO HIRE THE HALL.

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Monday to Friday £15. Saturday or Sunday - £20, £25 deposit (Not Saturday Evening)**

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

See also our website at – <http://bawdeswellvillagehall.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/>

Committee Meetings are normally held at 7.30pm on the 3rd Monday of every month in the Meeting Room [Portakabin] and all are welcome to attend. If you would like to help run the hall or would like any other information please come along to the meeting.



**Bawdeswell
Table Tennis Club**

Table Tennis – EVERY MONDAY EVENING*

We play table tennis every Monday evening, singles and doubles 7.30 – 9.30 pm. It is great fun. If anyone is interested, do come along and join us.

Entrance fee is **£2 adult and £1 under 16** to cover the cost of hiring the hall. Anyone under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

*We don't normally play on Bank Holidays but if there is enough interest we can arrange to, if the hall is available.

For more information please contact Janet on (01362) 688749.

BAG Bawdeswell Activities Group
Summer at the Hall

The Hall & Café will be open every weekday afternoon, 2pm to 4pm, from Monday 23rd July to Friday 31st August. All proceeds from the Café help to support the many activities that are offered by BAG, but please bear in mind that although all the volunteers kindly give their time for free – the equipment and materials still need funding.

Planned Activities

- Tuesday 24th July - Biscuit Decorating
- Thursday 26th July - Making Clown Mascots
- Monday 30th July - Childrens Film Club
- Wednesday 01st August - Painting & Veggie Stamping
- Friday 03rd August - Chocolate Delights
- Tuesday 07th August - Outdoor Games
- Thursday 09th August - Salt Dough Modelling (see 16th)
- Monday 13th August - Childrens Film Club
- Thursday 16th August - Salt Dough Painting (see 09th)
- Tuesday 21st August - T-Shirt Designing & Decorating (please bring a T-Shirt, or donation towards one)
- Thursday 23rd August - Jewellery Making
- Wednesday 29th August - Chalk Graffiti
- Friday 31st August - Watersports & BBQ (LETS PARTY!!!)

These activities are all planned – but many are volunteer & weather dependant, so there may be last minute changes of plan!!

Sports Equipment

Various items of outdoor sports equipment will be available for use on payment of a returnable deposit – please come and speak to us in the Hall for more details.

Volunteers

Thank you to those who have recently volunteered but we can always use more volunteers to help with the Café and activities. BAG pays for a CRB check and for optional training including a 1st Aid course and child protection awareness.

If you would like to help, please contact Karen 688939 or Katherine 688256, or speak to the volunteers down the hall.

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BAWDESWELL PRIMARY SCHOOL

The end of a school year gives both staff and children time for a well-deserved rest. This term has been led by Mr Ellson and he, together with the staff, made sure that the school ran smoothly and successfully.

The children played their part by working hard with encouraging results.

As we say goodbye to year 6 and wish them well at High School, it's hello to new children and to Mr Keith Wright our new Headteacher.

The Governors also welcome two new elected Parent Governors - David Fleming and Antonia Noyes.

School starts on Thursday, 6th September; finishing for half-term on Friday 26th October; then starting again on Monday 5th November until the Christmas break on Friday 21st December.

KM

....letters contd. from page 2

Bawdeswell village green was recently sprayed with chemicals by Norfolk County Council - the spray killed off a sizeable area of the grass. We think this was unnecessary as the village green has obviously been lovingly cared for by a small group of residents for the last 14 months. What is also worrying is that there are serious health and environmental concerns with the chemical used by the council. Children of all ages play on and use the village green. People of all ages use it as a place to sit, rest, meet and chat. In fact, we all walk past it at some point in a week, some of us with pets. When the village green has been sprayed like this our health is at risk. We know of at least one child in the village who has a rash as a result of spraying in Bawdeswell. We don't find it acceptable that the council puts us all at risk in this way.

We would like your support in telling Norfolk County Council that we don't want chemical spraying on such communal land in our lovely village. Look out for the petition in various places around the village and sign up to say you don't want these chemicals nasties here.

At a recent meeting in the village to talk about this issue we decided to form a new village group - **Incredible Edible Bawdeswell**. We are an informal group who occasionally come together to look after some of these neglected areas of land in the village so that we can all benefit. If you would like to know more about the dangers of these sprays or how we are helping grow food for us all to share, either phone Peter on 688944 or visit: www.oswaldrepents.org.uk/spray or www.oswaldrepents.org.uk/allotments



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BOOK CLUB

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How good it was to read a book that managed to be humorous, fictional and written by a white author on a difficult subject, leaving the reader to decide on how they felt about it. Set in Jackson, Mississippi, the story was written from the perspective and observations of negro household help in the 1960s – the time of the Ku Klux Klan and the uncomfortable white politics of the USA.

The negro dialect was a delight to read, and its shy humour came across well – but then suddenly the reader was taken from laughter to extreme sadness when lives of the negroes and their so-called freedom were related, as each of the ‘helps’ revealed their histories. The story was well balanced to give the white ladies of the South their characters (some for reform, others only concerned with their position in society) and the treatment of the coloured help who lived on low wages, had to put up with abuse and maintain high standards of housekeeping and child care, at any cost, to keep their jobs and families. The see-saw of emotions between the white ladies, friends and families, and the relationship of the ‘help’ with the children in their care certainly kept the reader on tenterhooks, and made one realise the depth of feeling that the ‘help’ had, which they could never openly show to their employers. The denouement was ‘a piece of cake’ and not everyone’s cup of tea!

Some of the most interesting lives are the ones that we never hear of, but through this work of fiction, we saw how perhaps change may come through very subtle and different aspects. Highly recommended! AS

The Book Club meets in the Workhouse Bar on the first Thursday of every month at 8pm. We mostly obtain books from the Library so there is not the expense of buying new books each month. We are reading The Forgotten Waltz by Ann Enright for discussion at our meeting on 2nd August 2012 and Solar by Ian McEwan for discussion at our meeting on 6th September. New members are always welcome. Enquiries: Marietta Menzies 01362 688 400.

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The church has just been redecorated for the first time since it was completed 58 years ago. You must pop in there and see the transformation. Thank you for making this possible.

Next year we are planning a major celebration to mark 700 years of there being a Rector of Bawdeswell, though it is believed that there was a church here even before that.

Forthcoming event) for 2012

September 29th	7.30pm	Harvest Supper *
November 30 th	10.30am	Flower Demonstration - Church
December 9 th	4pm	Christmas Concert
December 15 th	10am – 2pm	Christmas Wreaths & Fair

*** The usual Feast**
Details and Tickets from 688499 or 688268.

The July 100 Club draw took place at the recent village fete:
 £100 – Jo Porter
 £25 – James Lilwall, Peter Jervis, June Vince, Betty Hague
 £10 – Marian Morgan, Irene Ames, Fel & Dave Roberts, Louise Knight
 £10 – 71 – Chris Hood

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February 23rd	7pm	Race Night – Village Hall
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We are going to continue to meet over the School summer holidays but as the hall will be occupied with children's activities we will meet in member's homes. The dates are 26th July and 9th August. Please ring to check venues.

There will not be a meeting on 23rd August due to several members being away. We will be back in the hall for the 6th and 20th September meetings. There is a small charge of £2 a session only, and we welcome anyone who would like to come along. Lifts can be arranged so please don't hesitate to get in touch if you need transport. Enquiries: Marietta Menzies 01362 688 400.

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The presentation held on 19th June was well attended, not only by many residents but also representatives from the District Council and Breckland Community Development. The main topics covered were the results of the recent village survey, the first stage of the grant application to The Big Lottery Fund and the project timetable for the eventual build of the new hall. A lot of man hours had gone into collating information and analysing the information from all the questionnaires to producing the very effective results of the survey. Full details of the survey and the presentation are displayed under the website www.projectbawdeswell.norfolkparishes.gov.uk.

Stage 1 of the The Big Lottery Fund application has now been finalised and will be submitted. The next step is the committee will focus on the 'detailed design' documentation outlining the work to be undertaken by the selected architects with a view to giving official instruction for the design work to commence.

For your information, at the Fete there was a competition to guess the Quantity Surveyor's estimate of how many bricks it will take to build the new hall. The winning figure was 21,204.

Our next open meetings are planned for Saturday 4th August and Saturday 29th September, at 10.00 am in the Village Hall. All are welcome to attend. Please note that the dates, times and venue are subject to alteration and if you wish to attend, please check. Enquiries to Marietta Menzies 01362 688 400 or visit our website <http://projectbawdeswell.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/>

Fund-raising Reminders

The 'Buy a Brick' scheme continues. Forms are available at the village hall and online at our website.

Spend and Raise <http://spendandraise.com/projectbawdeswell/>.

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There are a few copies left of the local production 'Red Hot Cinders' at a cost of £5 per copy from David Cockburn (01262 688749).

BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL
DIGEST OF MEETINGS HELD ON 11th JUNE & 2nd JULY 2012

Present: (JUNE) Councillors Shannon, Beane, Kirby, Lilwall, Mallen, Mr G Bambridge (District Councillor), Mr B Borrett (County Councillor), Mrs H Moore (New Clerk) and two parishioners.

(JULY) Councillors Shannon, Mason, Kirby, McColville, Mr G Bambridge (District Councillor), Mrs H Moore (Clerk)

Ongoing Issues from Previous Meetings

Allotments: Currently there is one tentative offer to sell land adjacent to the village, plus two other interested parties who might be prepared to offer land in return for some development, plus a possible leasing option of land down Elsing Lane. There is still a demand for allotments from Bawdeswell Allotments & Leisure Garden Association and the Parish Council will continue to pursue possible land purchase/leasing options.

Possible Pedestrian Access to the Heath: NCC Highways support the idea of a footpath, should the landowner be willing. Councillor Kirby continues to pursue the possibility with the landowner.

Folland Court: Flagship Housing laid new turf which is now well established and being cut by volunteers. Kindly donated sleepers have also been laid to create a back border to the wildflower garden. The land transfer should be completed soon, at which time the land will become part of the existing Old Surveyors Trust and further work will progress.

Possible Work on Churchyard Trees: Councillor McColville ascertained a quote for a tree survey which was agreed by the Council. This will identify any action needed. The trees are within the conservation area; therefore approval for any work will need to be sought.

Condition of Common Lane: Clarification is being sought from NCC Highways as to responsibility for maintenance of this by-way and whether any improvement to the surface can be carried out.

Other Business of Interest to Parishioners

Village Hall: The Village Hall Committee hired contractors to resurface the driveway early in June, which is a considerable improvement. The new village hall project is about to move to the next stage of commissioning an architect. The Lottery Funding application is ready to be submitted and a reply is expected some 30 days following submission.

Parish Council Banking: Following a request from one parishioner, and subsequent research into alternative banking facilities, the Parish Council discussed whether or not it should move its banking from HSBC to a more ethical bank, such as The Co-operative Bank or Norfolk Credit Union. While there were downsides to using Norfolk Credit Union, the main one being that accounts need to be in an individual's name rather than an organisation, the pros and cons of using the Cooperative or HSBC were

finely balanced. The Cooperative was deemed to be a very ethical bank, with full banking facilities, similar to HSBC, the latter also had ethical qualities and was 'local' to Bawdeswell. The Council therefore decided that, assuming the Reepham Branch of HSBC would re-open after the recent act of criminal damage, it would stay with HSBC to help support a local amenity and employer.

The Localism Act: The Act, which is now in force, has caused the PC to adopt a new Code of Conduct. The PC decided to adopt the model Code of Conduct from the Norfolk Association of Local Councils for six months, at which time the situation will be further reviewed. The Act, and its associated National Planning Framework, also means that Breckland District Council will be developing a new Local Plan to replace the current Local Development Framework. The PC will be consulted on the new plan, as it was on the LDF and, therefore, the PC is currently formulating its views on the future development of the village which, once finalised, will be shared with the parishioners..

Councillor Resignation: At the July meeting, Councillor Ailsa McColville tendered her resignation. While regretting her decision, the PC expressed its collective thanks to Ailsa for her sterling efforts during her period in office. The vacancy will be advertised once a Notice of Vacancy is received from Breckland District Council.

Any queries or comments for the PC can be forwarded to Parish Clerk, Mrs Helen Moore. She can be contacted on 01263 587954, 4 Adams Lane, Corpusty, NR11 6QJ, email:- helenmoore1974@yahoo.com

*Next meeting, will be held on Monday 3rd September 2012 at 7.45pm
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Report on the July Meeting

Most of our evening was given up to **Denise Jones, our speaker**, and Sue Waters our Representative at the Albert Hall for the recent AGM. Denise spoke to us first and explained that she had been **Tourist Officer** at St Albans Tourist Information Centre for 29 years. She said that the job entailed more than "just handing out leaflets". She and her staff dealt with numerous requests for accommodation, directions to the station, distance to various cities and helping lost bus passengers – not to mention attending Conferences and Courses. A good knowledge of First Aid was also most useful. It was a thoroughly enjoyable job and she loved meeting all the people who arrived at the Centre hoping for (and certainly receiving) all the help they needed. A most interesting and amusing talk.

After the interval, Sue gave us her impressions of the **AGM**. It was a mixed meeting she said, with very different speakers, including the two who spoke For and Against the Resolution – Midwives, with a large percentage of the delegates backing **For**. The Chairman of Denman College Committee stressed the need for more members and visitors to use Denman. After the lunch break more than **3000 WI members** broke the record for the number of people knitting together in one location for 15 minutes! The travel souvenir exhibition was judged by Denise. The winner was Chris W with Gill second. Sue won the raffle.

Next month, **13th August**, we are asked to bring homemade buns (or tarts). These will be eaten with our tea/coffee. The recipe is wanted too please. Ernie Richards will be telling us the story (with tapes) of Sweeney Todd, the amateur production at the Theatre Royal next year. Hope to see everyone.

Mary Humphrey



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Reepham and District Rotary Club June 2012

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Jef Wilson jeffrey.wilson@tesco.net

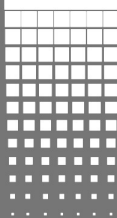
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Bird Workshop – Warblers: The workshop was held in Sparham School under the tutelage of artist and wvbs member, Steven Cale. As with all the workshops this was followed by a successful field trip to Swanton Morley gravel pits to put theory (and memory) to the test. Thanks to Steve for providing a thoughtful and informative course.

Bio-Blitz at the Dinosaur Park Lenwade: The aim was to record as much wildlife, from lichens and fungi to birds and mammals, over a 24hr period. The WBVS was invited along with county experts in many other types of wildlife. Despite gale force winds on Saturday and heavy rain on Sunday morning WVBS members provided useful expertise recording both birds and moths. Over 50 species of birds and 42 species of moths were recorded including Spotted Flycatcher, Hobby, Red Kite and Little Egret. Many thanks to all who helped with this event in any way. Full details of the event will be published in our monthly newsletter and also at www.wvbs.co.uk

.....and finally - farewell to all my readers.

The Society started life in 2003 and I attended the inaugural meeting at Lenwade Village Hall and in a weak moment, I volunteered to write a short report on the club's activities. Nine years, 38,000 words and three computers later I feel it is time to take a back seat and allow a fresh mind to take over the keyboard. So, future reports will be produced by Liz, a member of the society and an avid birder, under whose expert guidance I am sure our monthly article will continue to entertain and inform.

I would like to thank all my readers from the 15 village magazines in the Wensum Valley who have contacted me over the years, many of whom I have talked into joining the society which now stands at well over 100 members. Thank you all for your support and interest.

Dates for August: On Thursday 16th at our temporary venue at North Elmham Memorial Hall, we have a talk on 'The Birds of Holkham' by the Holkham NNR warden. Starts at 7.30 p.m. As with all our events, new faces always welcome.

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2nd meeting: Tues 7th August 2012

Theme.....

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The RPM Record Club.

Striking back in a rejection of today's single song, downloadable, 20 second attention span, music as background noise, take some time out to listen to albums in the way in which they were conceived; from beginning to end.

Meeting at Elsing Village Hall on the first Tuesday of the month, the first part of the evening will have a theme. The second half of the evening will be given over a mystery album, chosen by a club member and played all the way through.

Plus, there will be tea and guest biscuit of the month.

8.00pm for an 8.15 start, finish around 10.30pm. £1 entry. Information and questions: Tim 01362 637331.

Also at Elsing Village Hall

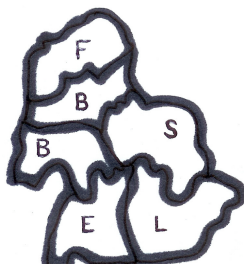
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Benefice News and Events

Let's Get Creative!!

On Saturday 11th August from 10am-4pm – a day in the Rectory garden to experience your creative side with craft and art. Once again Ailsa McColville will be on hand to give guidance and help to painters. Lunch will be provided and coffee and tea. The cost will be £5 including lunch. Bring anything that you need for your chosen craft. There will be a marquee if it's wet. If you are willing to answer questions about what you are doing, that would be great. We'll give a badge to those who are, so if you are bashful, you won't have to explain anything.

Events for August/September

August Sat 11 th	Art and Creativity Day Lyng Rectory Garden
August Sun 19 th	Lyng Rectory Garden Barbecue 12 for 12.30
Sept Fri 14 th	Sparham Quiz Night
Sept 22 nd	Elsing church 7.30pm Cantelivia Concert
Sept 29 th	Bawdeswell Harvest Supper 7pm Village Hall

Children and Parents!

GO FOR GOLD

Don't forget our Olympic themed Summer Club runs from 30th July to 3rd August in Sparham Old School Room. Cost is £1.50 per session. All you need is an old white T shirt. Week ends with a picnic in the Rectory Garden.

Midweek Benefice Services

Thursdays: Holy Communion 0930 at Lyng
Evening Prayer 1800 at Bawdeswell

Foxley St.Thomas'



At a meeting of St.Thomas' P.C.C. at Foxley Lodge on 28th June we heard reports from our representatives at the Benefice Ministry Group and the Deanery Synod.

Mrs. Monica Hatch had attended the B.M.G. meeting where a Bereavement Course to be held in the Autumn had been discussed and also an Art & Creativity Day on 11th August at the Rectory, when people can meet and exchange experience and expertise in all sorts of arts and crafts.

John and Diana had attended an enjoyable Deanery social event at Elmham. Following Holy Communion in the church, Mr. John Labouchere had given a conducted tour of the ancient cathedral and chapel remains. Alas the "Bring & Share" picnic could not be held in the pretty and leafy surroundings, but we enjoyed a buffet instead in the Village Hall.

Our new Treasurer, Mr. Nigel Hatch, laid out the latest financial position and we explored the possibility of obtaining a better rate of interest on our funds. However with the prospect of the various renovations being imminent, at least hopefully, ready access might be necessary for the meantime.

Mr. Hatch explained a detailed report on Fabric repairs and his efforts to obtain the maximum in grants – an onerous task, for which he was thanked by his fellow churchwarden, John Harvey - and everybody present!

Mrs. June Vince had the preparations for Open Churches Week in hand. It was agreed to make every effort to present the church as attractively as possible with flower arrangements, and displays of our very historic old Bibles and photographs, both old and new. Also to have a sales table with fruit, vegetables, jam etc., this had been quite successful last year. Although it was suggested that full-time supervision might not be necessary, subsequently Mrs. Vince has been able to complete a full rota of volunteers and a friendly welcome and someone to explain about the church and its history will be helpful.

We are also preparing for the Norfolk Churches Trust Cycle Ride on 8th September. Should anyone be prepared to cycle around some of the many local churches, or indeed to walk around the churches in Norwich, sponsored by friends and relatives, Mrs. Hatch, our organiser, would be very pleased to hear from you (01362 688650). It's an enjoyable and friendly day and half of the money raised, plus Gift Aid comes back to us to help with the renovations. You could also help by sitting in the porch to greet the cyclists and sign them in as they pass by. A rather pleasant and relaxing way to spend an hour or two!

Diana Harvey P.C.C. Secretary.

Open Churches Week

Saturday 4th.August – Sunday 12th.August, Foxley Church will be open from 10am until 5pm. Do come and learn about Foxley's ancient, much- loved church.



ALL SAINT'S CHURCH, BAWDESWELL

On 1st July Oscar John Highe was baptised and around forty friends and family greeted him and welcomed him to the family of the church.

The weather held out on 15th July and the performance of Shakespeare's Richard III by The Festival Players in front of the church was enjoyed by a large audience who also brought along picnics.

An enjoyable evening was had by all and we are grateful to the Friends of the Church who laid on this event, particularly Peter Jervis whose company Quotatis very generously sponsored it for the second year running.

The church has just been redecorated for the first time since it was completed 58 years ago. You must pop in there and see the transformation. Thank you for making this possible by supporting the fundraising events of the Church Friends.

OPEN CHURCHES WEEK: Our church will be open as usual during this Annual event and every day of the year.

NORFOLK CHURCHES TRUST SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE SATURDAY 8th SEPTEMBER

Your chance to visit some of Norfolk's heritage of over 600 churches, many of them Grade I listed treasures. On this day each year an effort is made to open as many of them as possible.

It makes a great family day out to cycle around as many of them as possible, and in doing so support the church of your choice by getting sponsored by your family and friends.

Sponsorship forms are available from our church porch.

More information from Robin Taylor 688268 or Monica Hatch 688316.

From the Rector

Dear Everybody, hello again.

One of the things that people are talking about in relation to the Olympics is their "legacy". How will they affect future generations, and who will they inspire? Young athletes can be particularly important in inspiring their own generation to take up sport, because they do not see it as something for the future, but something to do now.

Sometimes people say: "Children are the future", but I disagree. Children are the present too, just as anybody in their sixties or seventies (or beyond) is the future, but not quite so much of it.

People learn fastest when they are young; when they have learnt how to learn, then they can really absorb things. At every stage of life we can continue to learn, but if we have been given a good grounding in early life, it helps us later on. We have a responsibility to children to teach them good principles, not because it makes our life easier, but because it helps them to understand goodness and kindness.

One of the services we shall be trialling this autumn is a "Harvest First Fruits", at Elsing on September 2nd. It includes young people, as we think about the beginnings of gathering in the harvest, and also gaining knowledge and personality. It also looks forward to the harvest when all things are ripe and gathered in, to maturity. We begin early, but our lives are a constant process of starting things and "harvesting". Just as now there's a constant stream of vegetables being harvested.

In terms of our thoughts and our spirits, in later life we come to face difficult questions. How we deal with them is often a result of what we have been taught; how we think, and for some of us, how we pray. Often the underlying principles that we use are those we were taught in childhood. Sometimes we end up disagreeing with these, and choose our own way, or one that attracts us that others believe. Maybe those who can do this were themselves taught independence of mind and spirit when they were younger. "We reap what we sow". I wonder what inspirations we can sow.

God bless you

David Head

August 2012 Church Services

Date	05/08	12/08	19/08	26/08
Season	9 th Sunday after Trinity	10 th Sunday after Trinity	11 th Sunday after Trinity	12 th Sunday after Trinity
Foxley	18.30 EP DH	08.00 HC DH	10.30 MP CW	
Lyng	9.00 HC2 DH	10.30 W&P CW/DH	17.00 EP DH	
Elsing	10.30 HC DH	09.00 HC DH	10.30 W&P CW	10.30 OMS DH
Bawdeswell	10.30 W&P CW 12.00 HC DH	10.30 GiG Team	10.30 WP CW/DH	
Bylaugh	- - - -	9.00 MP CW	- - - -	9.00 HC DH
Sparham	10.30 OASIS Team DH	10.30 MP CW	9.00 HC DH	

September 2012 Church Services

Date	02/09	09/09	16/09	23/09	30/09
Season	13 th after Trinity	14 th after Trinity	15 th after Trinity	16 th after Trinity	17 th after Trinity
Foxley	18.30 EP DH	08.00 HC DH	10.30 HC DH		
Lyng	9.00 HC1 DH	10.30 W&P CW	17.00 EP DH		18.30 Harvest DH
Elsing	10.30 FS DH	09.00 HC DH	10.30 W&P CW		
Bawdeswell	10.30 W&P CW 12.00 HC DH	10.30 GiG Team + DH	10.30 W&P CW	10.30 OMS DH	09.00 Said HC DH
Bylaugh		9.00 MP CW		9.00 HC DH	10.30 Harvest DH
Sparham	10.30 OASIS Team	10.30 MP CW	9.00 HC DH		16.00 Healing 4pm DH