

Please Note - a change to  
the order of films

**Saturday 6th\* July 7pm (\* 1st Saturday)  
Lincoln (12A)**

Epic and reverential bio-pic from Steven Spielberg with a central performance by Daniel Day Lewis that sweeps all before it. Important also to mention Sally Field as Lincoln's wife and the meticulous work that has gone into recreating 19th century Washington DC. Better received in the USA than over here but still a good piece of film-making from Spielberg who has generally avoided the clichés and produced a compelling portrait of a complicated man.

**Saturday 10th August 7pm  
Hitchcock (12A)**

In 1959, Alfred Hitchcock and his wife, Alma Revill, are at the top of their creative game as filmmakers amid suggestions from some critics about it being time to retire. To recapture his youth's artistic daring, Alfred decides his next film will adapt the lurid horror novel, Psycho, over everyone's misgivings. Unfortunately, as Alfred self-finances and works on this film, Alma finally loses patience with his roving eye and controlling habits with his actresses. Anthony Hopkins as Hitchcock and Helen Mirren as Alma.

**More Films : Saturdays - 14<sup>th</sup> Sept, 12<sup>th</sup> Oct, 9<sup>th</sup> Nov, 14<sup>th</sup> Dec.**

We are coming to the end of our Summer Programme and will soon be asking The Sprockets to choose our next season. If you wish to be part of this, let us have your email address and we will include you. We will not use the Bawdeswell Village Cinema email list for any other purpose other than to remind you of up and coming films and to include you in film voting.

Bawdeswell Village Hall - Doors open 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm start - Bar/Cafe

Adults £4, Over 60 £3.50, Under 18 £2, Family (2A+2C) £10 + £1 each extra child  
Annual Season Ticket also available at £30 - equivalent to £3 or less per film  
Call 01362 688749 or email [BawdeswellVillageCinema@gmail.com](mailto:BawdeswellVillageCinema@gmail.com) for further information.

**Send us your email to get regular updates and take part in choosing our films.  
All of the above were chosen by members of our regular audience.**

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9am - Noon  
in  
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6am – 10pm  
Sun 7am -10pm

**J. Baker Butcher**  
7.30am – 5pm Mon Tu Thu Fri  
7.30am – 1pm Wed. & Sat.

**Garden Centre**  
*Summertime:*  
9am – 5.30pm  
Sun 10.30am - 4.30pm

**Bluebell Square Shops**  
As above but closed Mondays

**Cover:**  
*One of the "20 Open gardens"  
in Bawdeswell*

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**Website: [www.thereevestale.co.uk](http://www.thereevestale.co.uk)**

## LETTERS

David Shannon's letter, understandably, is high on anger and frustration. He has spent years putting his expertise into a series of village projects. It is heart-breaking to see one's work so blatantly abused.

I'm a member of Bawdeswell's *Incredible Edible*. We have engaged in a number of local ventures, all of which have suffered varying degrees of abuse. In the case of the village green it is regularly used by motor vehicles as a parking place, scooters have used it as a skid pan and we fought a long battle with the Highways Department to stop them spraying chemicals. Experience suggests that our real task is the regular *repair* of projects rather than any ongoing enhancement.

Sadly we live in a consumer-driven age where the word "community" requires little commitment from its citizens. But we can only take heart that for every person who throws down litter or deliberately destroys a shrub there are a dozen others who genuinely appreciate village projects.

Please don't join the "give-ups"!

*Peter Good*

### Bawdeswell At Its Best

Bawdeswell will be on show over the period 12th – 14th July 2013 on the occasion of the Village Festival, the aim being to raise money for the new village hall and the fabric of the church.

Many villagers will be putting themselves out to help at the various events in and around All Saints Church and the Village Hall, and some 20 brave families are opening up their gardens for the rest of the world to see.

So, parishioners and our visitors will be walking around all parts of the village, and with this in mind we can all help a little – not only by looking after your own little patch of ground, but also by tidying up the litter and weeds etc immediately outside of your own gardens.

The Parish Council will be organising a road sweep of the village just before the Festival, but please help by reaching those parts that other folk won't or cannot reach; and be neighbourly – help those next door that perhaps cannot help so much themselves.

Help put Bawdeswell at its best – it's your village!

*D.S.*



Please come and join us to discuss our Community. We will be making Young Adults a strong focus but wish to also include, our Environment, Heritage and Business.

**Project Bawdeswell Meetings – Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 7:30 – 9:30 – Village Hall Portacabin. Contact [ProjectBawdeswell@gmail.com](mailto:ProjectBawdeswell@gmail.com) or telephone Alex Kirby - 01362 688787 for further details.**

## JULY DIARY

Mon 1 <sup>st</sup>	Bawdeswell Parish Council meet at 7.30pm
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup>	FAB Club Coffee Morning at Bawdeswell Village Hall 10.30am Mobile Library in Bawdeswell 10.00 – 12.00
Thu 4 <sup>th</sup>	Book Club 8pm at The Old Workhouse Bar
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup>	Fete at Bylaugh Park Farm 2.30pm Elsing Hall Jazz Picnic 7pm Bawdeswell Cinema <i>Lincoln</i> 7pm
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	ICENI concert at Caister Lifeboat Station 3pm
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup>	WI 7.30pm at Sparham Old Schoolroom
Thu 11 <sup>th</sup>	Craft Club meeting at Bawdeswell Village Hall 2pm
12 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup>	BAWDESWELL FESTIVAL, Open Gardens, Flower Festival, Heritage Exhibition
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup>	Midsummer Night's Dream 6pm, outside Bawdeswell Church Elsing Saturday Market 10 – 12, Lyng Fete 2pm at the Rectory
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	Nene Valley Jazzband at Bawdeswell Garden Centre 12.30 – 3.30pm
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee Morning Foxley Village Hall 10.30am
Thu 18 <sup>th</sup>	Project Bawdeswell Meeting 7.30pm
Sat 20 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Lunch at Foxley Village Hall 12noon, Elsing Fete 1 – 5pm
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup>	ICENI concert at Elsing Church 4pm
Thu 25 <sup>th</sup>	Craft Club meeting at Bawdeswell Village Hall 2pm
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup>	Storm Chasing in the USA, Foxley Village Hall 7.30pm Badgers Race Night 7pm Bawdeswell Village Hall
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup>	Children's Summer Club 10 – 12 Sparham Old Schoolroom & Church
Wed 31 <sup>st</sup>	Library in Bawdeswell 10.00 – 12.00

### 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  
Zumba

Normally 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of Month (not Jan or Aug)  
Normally last Saturday 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  
Mon morning & Wed evening

# BAWDESWELL 2013 FESTIVAL

12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> July 10am – 4pm



Church Flower Festival  
*Bawdeswell through the ages*

Open Gardens

Heritage Exhibition

Children's Treasure Hunt  
& adventure playground

13<sup>th</sup> only: 6.00pm

"A Midsummer Night's Dream"  
performed by The Festival Players  
in front of the church

[www.bawdeswell2013festival.org.uk](http://www.bawdeswell2013festival.org.uk)  
**email:** 2013festival@bawdeswell.net

More details on pages 8 & 9.....

## FOXLEY VILLAGE HALL

### COFFEE MORNING

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 10.30am

21<sup>st</sup> August

*All Welcome*

### SUMMER LUNCH

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 12 Noon

Full details on page 7

*Please book*

Come and join us for a fascinating evening with our local TV weatherman CHRIS BELL

### 'STORM CHASING IN THE USA'

in Foxley Village Hall

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm

*Tickets £6 to include a glass of wine & savouries*

From: Tony 688494, Roger 688627, Anne 688555

*Proceeds to St Thomas' Bell Fund*

#### Looking for a babysitter?

My name is Paige Roberts and I am 15. I live in Bawdeswell and I help out at Seekers. I am available evenings and weekends and charge £3 an hour. References are available. Please contact me on 688876 or on my new mobile number 07881 912901. Thank you!

# **Fifty And Beyond**

**Our next meeting is at Bawdeswell Village Hall**

**on:**

**Wednesday 3rd July at 10.30am**

**Tea, coffee and cake will be on sale and there will be a raffle. Don't forget to bring any plant cuttings for 'swaps'.**

***In addition we will be presenting:***

**Mr Geoffrey Rose of Fakenham  
who will give a talk on**

**'The Bevin Boys'  
Their life and work in the mines  
during World War II**

**Hope to see you there!**

# **FOXLEY VILLAGE HALL**

## **Summer Lunch**



**20th July 2013 at 12 noon**

**Price £5**

***Please Book with Committee Members:***

Gillian Blyth Tel. 01362 688450

Margaret Byrne Tel. 01362 688617

Anne Cormie Tel. 01362 688555

Wendy Dack Tel. 07760115095

Christine Rushbrook Tel. 01362 688494



# BAWDESWELL 2013 FESTIVAL

12<sup>TH</sup> 13<sup>TH</sup> 14<sup>TH</sup> JULY 10AM - 4PM

## HERITAGE EXHIBITION

BAWDESWELL VILLAGE HALL



COME ALONG AND SEE OLD PHOTOGRAPHS, PICTURES AND OTHER MEMORABILIA OF **BAWDESWELL AND FOXLEY.** SEE OUR VILLAGE HISTORY, THE BUILDINGS AND THE CHARACTERS. READ ACCOUNTS OF LIVING IN YESTERYEAR.....**OUR HERITAGE**

COME AND ENJOY A TRIP DOWN MEMORY LANE, HAVE A COFFEE, CAKE AND A CHAT AND SWAP MEMORIES. PERHAPS EVEN SHOW US **YOUR** PHOTOS OR JUST BROWSE AND ENJOY THE STORY OF OUR VILLAGES.



YOU MIGHT EVEN RECOGNISE FRIENDS OR RELATIONS IN THE PHOTOS AND HELP US TO IDENTIFY THEM OR ADD TO OUR STORIES !!!!!

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION  
RING BILL & JACKIE CUNLIFFE  
01362 688956**



## 2013 FESTIVAL

**12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> July** 10am – 4pm

**Church Flower Festival** “Bawdeswell through the ages”  
*Free Entry. Programmes £2.50*

If you would like to pay for some flowers for someone, living or dead, please make a cheque out to Friends of Bawdeswell Church and hand it to the Treasurer David Shannon who can be contacted on 01362 688111. The names of the remembered persons will be displayed.

**Preview Reception** Thursday evening 11<sup>th</sup> July 7pm. *Ticket event. £10  
Refreshments included*

**Festival Players** Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July Gates open at 6pm,  
**A Midsummer Night's Dream.**  
*Ticket event. £12.50 in advance, £15 on the gate. Bring a picnic and chairs.*

**Open Gardens**  
*Entrance by Programme: £5 allows entry to all 20 gardens.*

**Village History & Archive Display** - Village Hall *Free Entry  
Car Parking and Refreshments*

**Children's Treasure Hunt** & Adventure Playground

Contacts: 01362 688499, 688268 Email: [2013festival@bawdeswell.net](mailto:2013festival@bawdeswell.net)

Latest News on the Festival Website

[www.bawdeswell2013festival.org.uk](http://www.bawdeswell2013festival.org.uk)

**Bawdeswell Badgers are hosting**

## **RACE NIGHT**

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July**  
Bawdeswell Village Hall  
Doors Open from 7.00pm  
First Race 7.30pm

**Tickets on the door £3 per person**  
Licensed Bar will be available  
(Please bring own nibbles)  
No children permitted

**Horses available for £5**  
(deadline to buy is 8<sup>th</sup> July)

**For more details contact Sam on**  
**samjames@yahoo.co.uk**



## **SHORT MAT BOWLS**

**Foxley Village Hall**

*Every Monday and Friday evening,*

between 7 o'clock and 9 o'clock, (and during the winter months in the afternoons) short mat bowls is played. This is not the game you may have watched on T.V. where the game is played in absolute silence: a single cough incurring instant glares of castigation. No, this is a game where chatter and a considerable amount of laughter (and a cup of tea and biscuit at half time) are an intrinsic part of the evening. The atmosphere is distinctly friendly and sociable.

Now, if you feel that this seems just the way you would like to spend a Monday or Friday evening (or both) then why not come along to the hall just to see how you would fare at a practice session. There will be bowls for you to try, and plenty of help and encouragement from the members—and who knows? You may even be a natural!

To find out more, call Simon on 01362 688389 or Carole on 567

DB



## **Bawdeswell Little Monkeys**

We are the Parent, Baby & Toddler group for the local area, run for and by the parents. Come along for a chat and a coffee – and let your “Little Monkey” have a play with the toys and activities, and interact with other children from the local area.

Venue: **Bawdeswell Village Hall**, 9.15 – 11.30 every Friday during term time

Subs: £2.00 for your first monkey, £0.50 per additional monkey (includes snack, drink, & teas/coffees for the troop leader)

*For more information call: Justine (Mum to Mylo) - 688222*

*Daniel (Dad to Polly) - 688693*

## **Music & Movement sessions with Sophie from Sure Start**

10.45am - 11.30am

5th + 19th July



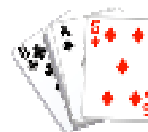
## **Bawdeswell Table Tennis Club**

### **Table Tennis – EVERY MONDAY EVENING\***

Table tennis on Monday evenings is a lot of fun. We have three tables which usually enables us to play single matches and doubles. Everyone is welcome, whatever level of play. 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.

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



**BRIDGE CLUB** The JayCee Bridge Club holds weekly sessions at both Foxley and Bawdeswell Village Halls. We meet at Foxley Village Hall every Tuesday evening at 7.15pm. for a 7.30pm start and at Bawdeswell Village Hall every Friday afternoon at 2.15pm for a 2.30pm start. For information (or to confirm a session is to take place) contact Roger Fryatt on 01362 688627 or Patsy Catchpole on 01362 688352.

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## BOOK CLUB - The Swan Thieves

This extra long book, the second by American author Elizabeth Kostova was our choice for June. At 600 pages it was quite a time consuming challenge if not a literary one! On the whole the group thought it could have been half the size; there were too many words that didn't progress the story, provide atmosphere or delight in any way. However, we all seemed to find something within it that spoke to us personally.

The main story was around the attempted destruction of a French Impressionist painting in a Washington Art Gallery and the motivation for it by the perpetrator. Allow me to tell you dear reader that he was tall, dark and handsome, an artist himself with a full-on creative temperament which sadly descended into obsession and for which eventually he was admitted to a mental hospital.

There he came under the charge of Marlow, a psychiatrist, reported to be able to make anyone talk, but who in treating this case turned amateur detective and sought out his patient's family, employer, mistress and travelled to France and Mexico in pursuit of the reason for the obsession, leaving him to his own devices. On top of that in the end the psychiatrist married the mistress!

The story is told by several characters and running through as a sort of motif is the translated correspondence of two French Impressionist painters of the 1870/80s, one a 25 year old married woman, the other her husband's uncle. Their delicately portrayed growing love for each other as well as their mutual love of art is the best read in the book and obviously there is the knowledge that this must have something to do with the current story – the letters often mirrored the main story at certain points and at the end we do learn that the consequences of their love affair led to the motivation for the destruction of the painting.

The themes of the novel are interesting - art and artists, the creative spirit and how destructive it can be to the artist him/herself, to their families and the different choices made by a female artist in 1880 and the mentally ill obsessive male artist of today. On the whole it was a bit of a 'pot boiler' but not without some merit. MM

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 Persuasion, by Jane Austen for discussion at our meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> July, and The Mark of the Angel, by Nancy Huston for our meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> August. Unfortunately we cannot obtain this book from the library so need to buy our own copies. New members are always welcome. Enquiries: Marietta Menzies 01362 688 400.



Amanda Nelson DipCFHP MPSPract

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BAWDESWELL LADIES' CRAFT GROUP

Our stocks of vests/jumpers for the fish and chip babies have been swollen by the work of some Foxley ladies who have created a wonderful colourful array of them – they look fantastic and we are so grateful for their contributions. It is so kind of knitters to find the time and the wool to create these garments which are so needed in Africa. Our next meetings will be on 27<sup>th</sup> June, 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> July at 2.00 pm in the Village Hall. In August the meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> will be at the home of Sandi Taylor, and on 22nd at the home of Marietta Menzies, both at 2 pm. We enjoy our productive afternoons together and the idle chat and friendship that goes with the busy hands. We welcome new members - bring your own work and come and share an afternoon with us. We will arrange transport if necessary. Enquiries: Marietta Menzies 688 400.

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TICKETS: £12.50 in advance £15 on the gate

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IN THE GARDEN**  
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**12.30-3.30pm** Don't forget to bring a chair!

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Unfortunately summer weather is not very evident yet but the evenings are long and many families are enjoying the play area and field and the activities at the hall are as busy as ever. During half term the children made a beautiful coloured poster which has certainly brightened up the large notice board and the hall. That's the good news, the bad news is that there is yet another broken window whether done deliberately or by accident isn't known but the police have given it a crime number. Repairing one window costs £200+. It is going to be difficult to provide the facilities the village requires if funds continue to be depleted by this unnecessary expenditure.

The VH AGM was held on 25<sup>th</sup> May. Sadly Fel Roberts decided to step down from the committee and not put her name forward for the coming year. She deserves a break, she has worked tirelessly for the Hall and Children's Play area and without her passion and enthusiasm we would not have received the generous grant made for the new Play area by Play England. She will be greatly missed on the committee and can never be thanked enough for all she has done for the village over the past several years.

We are very lucky to have so many hard working volunteers in Bawdeswell – the Chairman made a presentation to David Cockburn on behalf of the Committee thanking him for all he has done carrying out most of the jobs associated with running the Hall over several years. He is staying on the committee and will continue to maintain the web-site and lead the Cinema group.

The AGM was followed by the regular monthly meeting when all the usual day to day issues were covered and updates made on the large number of activities and projects in hand. A big thank you was recorded to Tony and Chris Hood for the donation of £288.00 to the New Hall Fund from the profits of the Tractor Day. It was a very successful day with 37 tractors leaving from and returning to the VH and in all 60 breakfasts were served.

The next big event is the Festival weekend – 12-14 July with approximately 20 gardens open and a Heritage Exhibition at the VH, all in support of the New Hall Fund. Programmes will be available at the Hall to allow entry to all gardens and refreshments will also be available there. It should be a great weekend with something for everyone. After that we will all be gearing up for another Extravaganza when so much is crammed into one big day, so put the 1<sup>st</sup> September in your diaries and come along to enjoy all the fun!

There is still a lot of lost property at the hall, so if you are missing anything please check there and claim what's yours. When we do the next clean up anything not claimed will be thrown out.

Our meetings are held on the last Saturday of the month in the VH at 10.00 am. We are not meeting in July and our next scheduled meeting is due to be held on the 31<sup>st</sup> August at 10.00 am. All meetings open and all are welcome but please double check dates with a committee member before coming along as they do sometimes get changed.

### Important Contacts

John Mallen - Booking Clerk 688 627 [villagehall@bawdeswell.net](mailto:villagehall@bawdeswell.net)  
Les Beach - Caretaker 688 869

**PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**  
**BAWDESWELL ANNUAL PARISH MEETING: 21 MAY 2013**

At the recent Annual Parish Meeting in the Village Hall, I gave a short account on the work of the Parish Council and associated groups over the last year.

Your Parish Council is comprised of six unpaid volunteers doing what we hope is the bidding of the village. We are technically elected, but in recent years there have never been enough volunteers to make a contest and we are one councillor short. If anyone is interested in doing that little bit more for their community, please contact the Parish Clerk, Helen Moore. The next parish council elections are due in May 2015.

Your Parish Council is comprised of a few (6) largely unsung and unpaid volunteers doing what we hope is the bidding of the village. We are technically elected, but in recent years there have never been enough volunteers to make a contest! In fact, with the resignation of Ailsa McColville last year, we remain one councillor short. So, if anyone is interested in doing that little bit more for their community, please contact the Parish Clerk, Helen Moore. The next parish council elections are due in May 2015 – so please help make a contest of it.

The Council has had a typical year, with some good and some bad news to impart.

On a positive note, and with considerable help and effort of a merry band of slaves too numerous to mention individually, we managed to finalise work on the Folland Court Jubilee Garden and Adam's Pit, although I note that the latter has been vandalised on a fairly frequent basis – more of which in a moment!

We will need to tidy up both these and other venues and streets around the village in preparation for the Festival in mid-July, but most of the major work was completed on schedule, on budget and, seemingly, to the satisfaction of most.

We have, however, made little or no progress on the allotment issue – the land that was offered for purchase as allotments proved to be poorly sited and too expensive!

Thanks and congratulations must go to Peter and Carolyn Good for their sterling efforts in taking care of the village sign and associated green – it always looks a picture and is a great credit to the village.

Other successes include the recruitment of Dan Taylor as Coordinator for our embryonic village emergency plan. Dan has done a great job researching and drafting up the plan, which is aimed at protecting the village and its inhabitants in the event of any localised emergency – bad weather, power cuts etc. However, such a plan is only as good as its participants. Your help is therefore needed, in particular to act as area wardens helping to coordinate local activity and keeping a weather eye out for the more vulnerable folk in your area. This is not the officious Dad's Army style of warden – more of a friendly soul looking out for others in the neighbourhood, and the role sits very well with the helpers needed for the neighbourhood watch system set up by Bill Cunliffe. So, if you feel you can help, please let us know. While talking of Bill Cunliffe, I would also like to extend the thanks of the community to him and Jackie for masterminding, marketing and running the new FAB (Fifty and Beyond) Group within the village. It has been a great success so far and bodes well for the future.

Turning from the older to the younger element of the village; Karen Green has thankfully stepped into the shoes of Janet and David Cockburn to take on the valuable work of the Bawdeswell Activity Group. Our sincere thanks must go to David and Janet for setting up the group and ensuring its success in recent years.

Rounding off the successes, our Community Car Service is going from strength to strength in terms of customers and service, but with success comes increased costs to the village as a whole, and the Coordinator, Angela Shannon, would not let me in the house if I did not advertise our continuing and pressing need for more drivers.

And now the bad news:

First, the all-important money issue! As some have already remarked, this year's Precept showed a dramatic 30+% increase over last year, but given the relatively small size of the budget (£15,000) it doesn't take much to show such a rise in percentage terms.

Yes, there have been increases all round (that's inflation for you!), but most of the increase was not, as some think, the Parish Council spending your money on ill-founded and unnecessary projects; it was mainly down to security measures in and around the Village Hall as recommended by Norfolk Police in response to the recent spate of anti-social behaviour. There is more we need to do to meet all of the Police recommendations, but for the moment we cannot afford it. So, contrary to some opinions, the Precept increase was NOT down to proposals for footpaths and community orchards.

Concerning the latter, let me just stress that the Parish Council has not taken any final decisions. Yes, we have agreed in principle to both ideas, but much will depend on the business plans being brought forward and, in particular, the longer term maintenance costs of such projects.

Village surveys within Project Bawdeswell have always shown a desire to improve safe access from the village to Bawdeswell Heath, particularly for children. We cannot do much about the A1067, but the Council does believe that a footpath down Dereham Road would also significantly improve road safety for residents down that dangerous road. Moreover, support for the scheme is probably best expressed by the willingness of Dereham Road residents to fund the parish council 25% share of any capital costs for such a footpath (with the NCC funding the rest). That said, the PC cannot take any sensible decision until we see the associated NCC Highways view later this month.

The Council approach to the community orchard idea is similar. We clearly want to make best use of the land that the Recreation Ground offers, and the eastern end is only used occasionally. However, the PC recognises the concerns expressed about possibly losing what recreational space there is. Moreover, we must ensure that such proposals fit in with the longer term plans for the whole area when we have a new village hall. That is why the Council has sought advice from the Village Hall Committee, as well as a better defined business plan from the proposers before taking any decision on the project.

On the failure front, and despite our best efforts, the PC seems to be no nearer persuading NCC and associated bus companies to extend their services from Dereham to Bawdeswell and other surrounding villages. NCC argues that there is no proof of a viable market, given that not many

people use the existing sparse and mainly weekly shopper buses, which in our opinion are badly advertised. The PC response is that we have proven demand for a regular daily bus service to Dereham in the result of the recent village survey, and that one can never prove the viability of such a service without giving it a fair trial. We haven't given up, and now hope to get a joint initiative together with other surrounding villages with similar needs, but don't hold your breath!

Other problem areas we are facing mainly surround the increasing incidents of anti-social behaviour in and around the village. As many of you will know, we have experienced pure vandalism and criminal damage in the setting of fires on the Recreation Ground, litter and the digging up of others' good work at Adam's Pit, obscene graffiti on the kiddies' play equipment, break-ins at the Village Hall and in the sports lock-up, as well as alleged drug dealing around the village. Frankly, none of this is befitting a small community such as ours! The problem is further exacerbated by the fact that a number of the alleged offenders are not from Bawdeswell, but the village does seem to have become a centre for their activities! With the summer holidays approaching, I am somewhat fearful about what to expect.

The question is what can we do about it?

In the shorter term, perhaps the only answer is to remain vigilant, not take action into your own hands, but report all incidents of anti-social behaviour to the Police using the 101 number. When you do, please remember to ask for an incident number to ensure the incident is logged.

This approach did result in us getting some priority policing earlier in the year, but the absence of sufficient 101 calls recently has meant that we are no longer considered a priority. We hope to change that at the Community Action Group meeting in Dereham towards the end of this month. We are also writing to the Police seeking better feedback to our calls. But, I repeat, we will get nowhere unless we use the 101 system to ensure the Police know of our problems.

In the longer term, we recognise there is little in the village for the older youths to do which is both interesting and cost effective for them.

Fel Roberts had some very good ideas, concentrating on trying to give youngsters a sense of worth, confidence and responsibility within the community, and to engender more harmony between young and old. However, Fel, after many years of giving her heart and soul into the community, has rightly decided that family and livelihood must come first. She will be sadly missed, but Alex Kirby has kindly agreed to step into Fel's shoes, large (metaphorically) as they were, to take Project Bawdeswell forward.

In closing, let me also add my thanks to all the other stalwarts of the village, many of whom are here this evening. You are too numerous to mention individually, but you know who you are – you are the generous few who give freely of their time to make this village a better place to be.

David Shannon

## **BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL**

### **DIGEST OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 3rd JUNE 2013 AT 7.30pm IN THE PORTACABIN**

Present: Councillors: Mason WM (Chairing the meeting), Kirby AK, Lilwall JL, Mallen JM, Bambridge GB (District Councillor), 2x PCSOs, and Mrs H Moore (Clerk) + 1 parishioner.

#### **Ongoing issues from previous meetings:**

Anti Social Behaviour: PCSO Charli Stone reported that there had been one crime reported in the past month. Instances of anti social behaviour are still not being reported. It is imperative that any occurrences are reported as any piece of information could fill a gap that is missing and help police greatly. The PCSOs are regularly patrolling the village and keeping records of youths that they meet. It appears that Bawdeswell is a meeting point for youths aged between 15-19 from surrounding villages and as far as Fakenham.

Folland Court: A copy of the Land Transfer for Folland Court has been received and the Solicitor is now pursuing land registration.

#### **Other business of interest to parishioners:**

Recycling credit received for glass in 2012-13 & play area. AK is the new Chair of Project Bawdeswell. PB's aim currently is to provide a shelter, outdoor gym equipment and repair the swings on the play area. It was clarified that PB is an enabler for such projects, under PC approval, acting with delegated authority. It was decided that the recycling money be used for PB towards these aims with the PC approving PB seeking repair of the swings. Any funding applications for equipment and the shelter will be brought before the PC. JM will liaise with AK regarding funding applications, on behalf of the Village Hall Committee.

Litter pick up - to discuss litter pick up & road sweep ahead of the Village Festival on 12/7/13: It was decided that it would be a good idea to organise a litter pick up ahead of the festival. The Clerk will liaise with DS in seeking volunteers and arranging this. The Clerk will request the BDC carry out a road sweep and that NCC carry out a litter pick up along the main road and by pass.

#### **Village Hall Committee news**

The AGM was held recently and the minutes have been circulated to the Council. Hall users have appointed two members to the Village Hall Committee (Jane Bown and David Cockburn). At the AGM the Chairman gave his report and as part of that issued David Cockburn with a voucher as thanks for his hard work and commitment to the hall. At the end of the financial year unrestricted funds held were £4,552 and restricted funds were £4,902 - WM noted that the restricted funds now include the received grant for £7,000 from BDC towards architects costs, making them around £12,000. The Cinema Club is viable and continuing well. Election of 6 members to the management committee took place. These are Alan Collier, Carolyn Good, John Mallen, John Menzies, Marietta Menzies and Dave Roberts. It was noted with regret that Fel Roberts had resigned due to time constraints. A huge vote of thanks was given to her for all her hard work over the years. Two parish council appointments were made being James Lilwall and William Mason. At the Village Hall Committee meeting James Lilwall was elected as Chairman, Dave Roberts as Vice Chair, Marietta Menzies as Secretary, William Mason as Treasurer, Les Beach as Caretaker and John Mallen as Bookings Clerk. News is still awaited from the Charity Commission regarding the new constitution. The Business Plan for the new hall is being updated which is key to the stage 3 of the Lottery bid. An asbestos survey at the cost of £295+VAT is being carried out on the hall and a bat and bird survey quote is being sought. The chippings for the car park are being looked at as to how and when they will be laid/spread. £650 was raised over the past year from a percentage of hall bookings being allocated to the new hall. Thanks go to Tony and Chris Hood for organising the recent tractor rally which raised £288, also towards the new hall. A new policy is being looked at regarding storage in the village hall as much is being left for long periods of time. There has been lots of communication with the Lottery regarding Stage 2 of the application which is encouraging. Other avenues of funding are being looked at including Biffa and the Norfolk Community Foundation. Upcoming fundraising opportunities include the Village Festival and the Open Gardens. Publicity includes Radio Norfolk and the EDP.

*Next meeting will be Monday 1st July at 7.30pm  
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Our Monday evening on 10<sup>th</sup> June certainly proved to be something quite different. Aleathia welcomed our speaker, Sally Porter, who straight away showed us how we were going to make delicate sugar-based hearts, roses, leaves and daisies to decorate our homemade cup cakes. We had also brought butter icing ( ideally should be unsalted butter stressed Sally ) and we all 'had a go' at piping this on the top of our cup cakes. Having accomplished this, we duly placed our hearts, roses, etc. etc. on the buns with varied – and quite pleasing – results.

We were joined in our activities by new member Ann Morgan, guests Margaret Holder and Sandra, and Barbara, our delegate at the A.G.M. in Cardiff, all warmly welcomed by Aleathia. Sally judged the finished results.

1<sup>st</sup> Ann Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Margaret H. Well done everyone. We thanked Sally for making our evening so enjoyable.

After our tea/coffee break – when of course we sampled our homemade cup cakes – Barbara gave a shortened version of her notes taken at the A.G.M., an event which she thoroughly enjoyed. Nice to know the Resolution was passed with a great majority and that the speakers were informative and interesting.

The raffle was drawn. Winner – Margaret H. Forthcoming events .... A walk suggested by Carol was discussed and decided upon. Approximately two and a half miles, starting at Fakenham Market Place, Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July at 2 p.m. One of the Autumn meetings is being held at Costessey Centre, Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 2.45 p.m., and a date in 2014 – Cole Porter's "Anything Goes" at the Norwich Theatre Royal on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January.

A speaker from the Magdalen Group comes on 8<sup>th</sup> July to talk about Lifestyle Choice and Prostitution. The exhibition is a Comforting Item. Hope to see you all.

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## Through the Screen



We would like to thank all of you who came to see Hyde Park on Hudson in June. Again a great turn out.

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The estate of Hyde Park was thrown into chaos when HRH George VI and Queen Elizabeth came to ask for the support of USA with WWII. The film also portrays the relationship of the two Leaders as an 'uncle and nephew' both with physical difficulties and The President giving sagely advice to the young King who hadn't been raised to be one.

This is a gentle film about a small piece of time and how great men are human. It's a bit slow in parts but beautifully shot in New England which reminded me of how much this part of America is to our own country. (Well I could go into continental drift but I'm sure you will like me to leave that for another day).

On the 6<sup>th</sup> July, we have **Lincoln (12A)**. From the trailers this looks to be a far more dynamic film. Mainly, this is about the Civil War (set in 1865) and the end of slavery. I wonder if we will ever hear the end of racism. America has been talking about it for a long, long time. So come and see an Englishman (Daniel Day-Lewis) play one of America's greatest heroes.

**Missed any of our films?** For a £5 returnable deposit, if we have them in our library (we don't have them all) you can borrow them and see them at home. For further information contact us at [BawdeswellVillageCinema@gmail.com](mailto:BawdeswellVillageCinema@gmail.com) or call David or Janet on 01362 688749.

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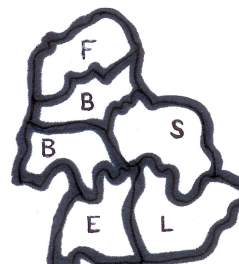
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July 6<sup>th</sup>  
July 6<sup>th</sup>  
July 11/14th

July 13<sup>th</sup>  
July 20<sup>th</sup>  
21st July

July 27<sup>th</sup>

July 29<sup>th</sup>

Bylaugh Fete Park Farm 2.30pm

Elsing Jazz Picnic 7pm

Flower festival in Bawdeswell Church, Village heritage  
Exhibition V Hall, Shakespeare Church, service of

Thanksgiving, 20 open gardens

Garden Fete Rectory gardens – 2pm

Elsing duck Race

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4.00 p.m

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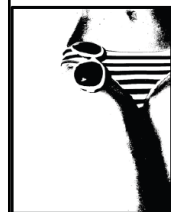
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## The Children's Society

As some of you may have noticed, The Children's Society shop, in Fakenham, is now concentrating on "Homewares". It will now stock small items of furniture, hardware, nice quality china and electrical goods, for which they now have a qualified member of staff to examine & pass them as safe to use. We shall still be pleased to accept your goods at Foxley Lodge. Fakenham will receive as above & the Dereham shop will benefit from clothes, books, toys, C.D.s & so on. Do keep it coming! The need for the Society's work with children & teenagers seems to increase all the time – and grateful thanks for all that you have contributed in the past. Also it's good for others to make use of unwanted items, rather than for them not to be dumped into landfill!

Diana Harvey Benefice Co-ordinator



## All Saints Church, Bawdeswell

As summer is reluctantly appearing, our thoughts are turning to the Bawdeswell Festival, marking 700 years during which we know that we have had a Rector in Bawdeswell. The surviving past Rectors or their families have been invited.

Last month I referred to Bishop Graham's address to the assembled church wardens at Aylsham. The final part of his message was the need to tell today's generation about God and Jesus so that the church will continue after we are gone. This is why we seek to have ministers in every town and village to care for the local people when they need the church and to preach the gospel in each locality. Providing a rector or vicar for each parish costs a lot of money each year and the congregations in the Diocese of Norwich contribute about £6million each year, a huge amount when you think about it. But we have not kept pace with rising costs and the Diocese is having to spend its limited reserves. In order to try to make clearer the costs involved, each benefice (in our case, the six parishes of Foxley, Lyng, Elsing, Bawdeswell, Bylaugh and Sparham) will be asked to contribute the amount that the Diocese has to pay to provide us with a rector, plus a share of the wider costs such as training and support for church schools. This will mean a considerable increase from what we have paid in recent years – at least 15% a year for the next few years. A church without ministers is just a building – if we want to have a rector for our villages, the responsibility is ours to make sure the funds are there to support him or her.

William Mason

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## LETTER FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Everybody, hello again.

This summer in the summer club for primary age children we'll have the topic: "If God made the world, why aren't we robots?"

It would have been so much simpler if everybody were programmed, and did what they were told. We wouldn't have to think. We might malfunction, we might wear out, but we wouldn't have to take responsibility for anything. We could be made to be good. And so could our fellow human beings, which might be much more interesting to us. Other people behaving properly is often more important to us than behaving properly ourselves.....

But in a way we are already robots. Quite a number of us are walking around with metal joints or pacemakers; our bodies are machines that we treat as an engineering problem, just as much as organic beings. We fuel them, we fix them if we can.

And we are robots in that there are forces that control us. Day to day decisions are taken on our behalf by governments. Computer engines discover our preferences, and target their advertising at us as individuals. Other people's decisions affect the patterns of our lives: a supermarket opens and fifteen small retailers close; a small group of bankers invent a scheme, and half the world is impoverished.

But then of course, we aren't robots really. We're reminded of that most frequently when we are on holiday. We stop being bound by routine; we have to make many more choices than we normally would in a day; we experiment with new experiences, go to different places. Maybe some of us will only look for what is advertised, and follow the crowd; but others of us want to discover things, feel our freedom.

The world is an odd, savage, delightful, beautiful place. We may be settled in one place, but our minds can roam in wonder. Do robots make choices? Do robots have a sense of wonder? I wonder....

God bless you      David Head

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Date	07/07	14/07	21/07	28/07
Season	The Sixth Sunday after Trinity	The Seventh Sunday after Trinity	The Eighth Sunday after Trinity	The Ninth Sunday after Trinity
<b>Foxley</b>	09.00 <b>RH</b>		10.30 HC <b>DH</b>	18.30 EP <b>DH</b>
<b>Lyng</b>	9.00 HC <b>DH</b>	10.30 OMS <b>BMG</b>	17.00 EP <b>DH</b>	10.30 W&P <b>CW</b>
<b>Elsing</b>	10.30 HC <b>RH</b>		10.30 W&P <b>CW</b>	09.00 HC <b>DH</b>
<b>Bawdeswell</b>	10.30 HC <b>DH</b>	18.00 Thanks- giving <b>DH</b> Bishop of Lynn	10.30 GiG	10.30 WP <b>CW</b>
<b>Bylaugh</b>		9.00 HC PB <b>Bishop Tony</b>		9.00 MP <b>CW</b>
<b>Sparham</b>	10.30 <b>OASIS</b>		09.00 HC <b>DH</b>	10.30 HC <b>DH</b>

Thursdays: Holy Communion at Lyng 9.30am  
 Evening Prayer at Bawdeswell 6pm