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We hope that restrictions will allow the events and activities advertised to take place and we are able to meet up at this festive time.

We wish you and your families a safe, healthy and happy Christmas and hope that the rules will allow us to spend time with our loved ones over the festive period.

Anne and team

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Bawdeswell Parish Council Meeting	Thurs 3 rd Dec	Zoom Meeting 7.30pm
Foxley Parish Council Meeting	Thurs 10 th Dec	Foxley Village Hall or Zoom 7.30pm
Foxley Coffee Morning	Weds 16 th Dec	Foxley Village Hall 10.30
Mobile Library	Tues 20 th Dec	From 11.15am
Christmas Wreath Fair	Sat 12 th Dec	Chaucer House Barn 10 -2 pm
Mobile Library	Tues 12 th Jan	From 11.15am
Knit and Natter	Thurs 14 th Jan	Bawdeswell Village Hall 2 - 4pm
Café Philosophique	Thurs 14 th Jan	The Old Workhouse Bar 7.30pm
Foxley Coffee Morning	Weds 20 th Jan	Foxley Village Hall 10.30
Knit and Natter	Thurs 28 th Jan	Bawdeswell Village Hall 2 - 4pm
Regular Events	Time/Date	Location
Zumba Fitness	Mon. 10 – 11am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
FitSteps	Mon. 11 – 12pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Zumba Fitness	Mon. 7 – 8pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Zumba Gold	Tues. 9 – 10am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Zenchee Flow	Tues. 10 – 11am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Youth Football Club	Wed. 6 - 8pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Hub Cafe	Thurs. 10am – 12pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Fitsteps	Thurs. 7 – 8pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Zenchee Flow	Fri. 10 – 11am	Bawdeswell Village Hall

ALL EVENTS ARE UNDER REVIEW

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A close-up photograph of a white bowl filled with a thick, light-colored soup, topped with a small amount of cream. The bowl is placed on a white plate. In the foreground, a chocolate cake is decorated with numerous almonds. The background is softly blurred, showing what appears to be a person's hand holding a glass.

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Bawdeswell Primary School Update

October has been exciting at school. Below you can see we have had our tatty old playground resurfaced with spongy artificial grass. The children are now able to run around and do PE without having so many accidents. When they fall over they seem to bounce!

It is great to have a safer surface and we would like to thank the Friends Association for the generous contribution towards the new surface.

In the spring we will be having the markings painted on the new 'grass'.



Firstly, I would like to thank all the children in these tricky times. It has been so lovely to have all the children back in school and they have been amazing.

Secondly to the wider school community for all their support and kind words in these tricky times.

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A Message from Crime Prevention

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The #9pmRoutine is an initiative backed by many Police Forces both in the UK and abroad which seeks to encourage residents to get into the habit of completing routine security checks. By setting a reminder on your phone or your alarm for 9pm you'll get into a routine of checking your home, vehicle and any outbuildings are secure and valuables removed or hidden out of sight. Opportunist thieves look for an easy target, by completing the following checks life will be made all the harder for criminals

- Check your vehicle
- Shut your windows
- Lock Your Doors
- Check your Outbuildings

If you use Twitter look out for our reminder 9pmRoutine posts and let us know that you are all locked up by tweeting us @BrecklandPolice and using the hashtag #9PMRoutine

Thieves look out for an **easy target**. Make it difficult for them by doing the **9PM routine**

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Sun 6 th Dec	Lakeside Shopping Centre Xmas	8.30am	£30
Tues 8 th Dec	Wicksteed Park Xmas Show & Dinner	8am	£56
Wed 9 th Dec	Helmingham Hall Illuminated Trail & Mulled Wine (Stowmarket)	3.45pm	£35
Thurs 10 th Dec	Freeport Braintree Xmas Shopping	8.30am	£25
Sat 19 th Dec	North Norfolk & Thurstford Enchanted Light Trail	1.30pm	SOLD OUT
Mon 28 th Dec	Christmas at Kew + Windsor	10.30am	£50 Child £40

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Thurs 28 th Jan	Wicksteed Park - Twist & Shout Show & Dinner	8am	£56
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February 2021

Thurs 4 th Feb	Anglesey Abbey Snowdrops	8am	£35
Fri 12 th Feb	Chippenham Park Snowdrops & Newmarket	9.30am	£35
Sun 14 th Feb	London Motorcycle Show	8am	£42
Thurs 18 th Feb	Ely & Welney Wild Swans	8.30am	£32
Sun 21 st Feb	London Classic Car Show	8am	£52
Sat 27 th Feb	Stitch Festival – Islington	8am	£40

March 2021

Thurs 4 th March	Mary Poppins	8am	£95
	London Coach Only		£28
Wed 10 th March	Pretty Woman Musical	8am	£75
Wed 17 th March	Wicksteed Park – Rat Pack Show & Dinner	8am	£56
Wed 17 th March	Chippenham Park & Newmarket	9.30am	£35
Thurs 18 th March	Tina The Musical	8am	£75 SOLD OUT
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🎀 Against Breast Cancer Update 🎀

I just wanted to say a massive thank you to everyone that donated their unwanted bras to our collection. All told we have 44 bras to send off to the Against Breast Cancer charity. (Registered charity number 1121258)

That's 44 bras **not** going into landfill!

This may seem like a small amount, and I agree. 44 bras aren't going to save the world, or be enough to fund a cure for cancer. But imagine what each individual action can do when put together collectively. You can make a difference, and you have, so we thank you from that place that rests just under where you wear your bra! 😊

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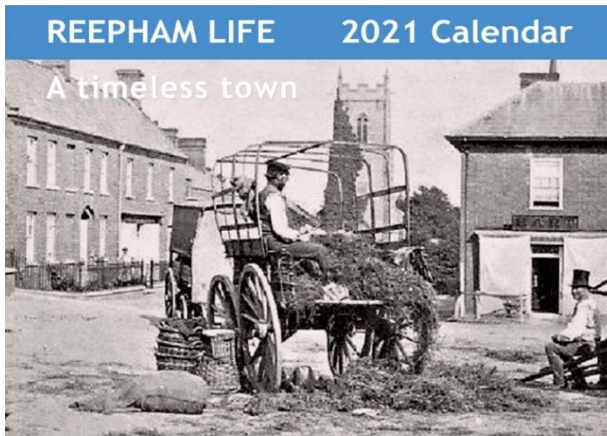


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Reepham Life 2021 Calendar now on sale



The *Reepham Life 2021 Calendar* is now on sale at retail outlets in Reepham or by mail order. Produced in association with the Reepham Archive and featuring 13 photographs capturing the town's history over the past century, the calendar also includes modern-day images of each scene.

Published by Reepham Community Press, the calendar costs £8 and can be purchased from Johnsons of Reepham, Robertson's Family Butchers, Bircham Centre Charity Shop, Reepham Archive and St Mary's Reepham.

To order by post, send a cheque for £9.50 (UK only, includes postage and packaging) made out to "Reepham Community Press", Homerton House, 74 Cawston Road, Reepham, Norfolk NR10 4LT. Airmailed copies to Europe cost £12 (incl. p&p); rest of the world £13 (incl. p&p). Calendars from 2014–2020 are also available.

This project from the publishers of the *Reepham Life* community website has involved sifting through hundreds of old photographs and postcards supplied to the Reepham Archive by past and present residents or those with a connection to the town.

A total of 12 pictures plus a cover image were chosen for this eighth annual calendar, most from the first half of the 20th century. Local photographer John Tym then went out to capture many of these scenes as they are today.

For further information, contact: Reepham Community Press. Tel: 01603 308158. Email: info@reephamlife.co.uk



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Rotary recovery fund tops £2,500 as more grants are made

The Reepham Rotary Recovery Initiative is designed to support local organisations who have been stretched by the current pandemic as they get back to work following the recent restrictions on activities. The total donated to date has topped £2,500 and the first grants have been agreed.

As well as substantial members' contributions, the club has welcomed donations from a wide range of residents and businesses. It is hoped that many more businesses and individuals will contribute as word spreads.

The fund has agreed to pay £500 towards materials to refurbish a mobile classroom for use by the school chaplain to provide much needed counselling for High School students. It will also pay £450 towards the cost of new storage facilities for use by organisations at the Bircham Centre.

According to Reepham Rotary's Roy Sherlock: "We have heard from other organisations and we are considering two other grants already. There can be no doubt that there is a big need in our community and it will only grow as restrictions continue."

More money needed

The initial target for the fund was £2,500. However, it is clear that there is a bigger need. While many people have financial worries, others may find they have spare cash through less travel and shopping. The Rotary Club hopes to divert that money to where it is needed. The Club is considering other projects to support the fund, although some lateral thinking is required to come up with ideas that can be put into practice in the current restrictions. They would welcome cooperation with other groups who share their aims.

Donations can be made at Just Giving at www.justgiving.com/campaign/rotary-reepham (or bit.ly/RRRI2020) – or over the counter at Reepham Post Office. More details from Roy Sherlock.

More details will be found on the Club's website. The project is supported by Reepham Life.

More information:

Grants: Richard Cooke, grants@reephamrotary.org.uk, 07889 036 852.

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VILLAGE NEWS

Bawdeswell Village Hall



November was a funny month. First, we were open, then we weren't, but we will re-open as soon as restrictions are lifted.

Many thanks to all our Volunteers who helped us restart our Hub Café. We changed our opening day so that we could use the Main hall to maximise social distancing and our Volunteers made sure that everyone was waited on!

We applied to the Norfolk Community Foundation Winter Resilience Fund in our quest to improve our Covid-19 secure facilities even further. We wanted to invest in equipment that would safeguard everyone even further.



We are delighted that we have been successful in securing a grant of £4,379. This grant must be used specifically to support our Hub Café. We plan to upgrade with 'sneeze guards' and barriers to help people move safely around our building and other people. Disposable tablecloths may have seemed an extravagance, but they will help us reduce contact between people.

Trustees continue to work together. Our risk assessment has been fully reviewed. We have instructed our solicitor to move our assets and contracts to complete our move to CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) status. We continue to follow all the government guidelines in maintaining a safe environment for our users and consequently we have closed the hall during this second 'lockdown'. Of course, being closed means that we have no income from hirers whilst the Hall still has costs that must be met. Trustees continue to work together to ensure that our outgoings are minimised and we are grateful to have received a further £1,334 from Breckland's Local Restrictions Support Fund.

When we are allowed to re-open, our Village Hall will again, be open for business:

- Hub Café will open each Thursday 10:00-12:00* for tea, coffee and cake
- Updated information about exercise classes* will be posted on our website. Pre-booking is essential for all classes, please see further details on our website www.bawdeswellvillagehall.co.uk

Breaking News - Our Hall has been chosen as a venue to host the *Stardust Circus, on 14 February*. We hope that this fun show for all ages will help make Bawdeswell a great place to have a February half-term treat*. More information will be available after Christmas.

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For information please contact **Paul on 01362688615, Mob 07769694574**



Bawdeswell Knit and Natter

There are no Meetings in December.

Dates for January 2021 are the **14th** and **28th**.

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Enquiries: **Josie Beach 01362 688869**.

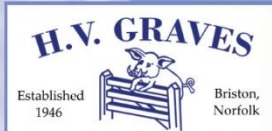


Book Club

Book Club Gatherings

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Bintree Bowls Club

The outdoor summer season finished in late September 2020 so there is not much to say about outdoor bowls. Some of our members, however, play indoor bowls during the winter at the Gallows Indoor Bowls Club at the Fakenham Leisure Centre. We have two teams entered in the Friday and Afternoon leagues under the captaincy of Dave Beresford. Last winter, our team won the Friday League. The winter season at Gallows, however, was prematurely ended due to this dreaded virus on 16 March 2020 and, as yet, we have not been officially declared champions. In October 2020, we started to play indoors again. Apart from the league teams, around 12 of our members play on a Wednesday afternoon each week followed by a visit to a local hostelry for eats. Unfortunately, that has all been brought to a halt until 2 December 2020 at least. Who knows what will happen after that!! We must all remain positive, look after each other, and look forward to next summer when, hopefully, things might return to some normality. New members are always welcome and you can track us on our website, bintreebowlsclub.co.uk.



Bridge Club

Sponsored by Bawdeswell Village Hall (Registered Charity No 800970)

The JayCee Bridge Club is now meeting online, until they are able to return to the village hall. Please contact Roger or Patsy for information, or to confirm a session is to take place. Whilst we aspire to play well, our range of bridge playing abilities means that it's really bridge for fun! No regular partners are needed.

Contact: **Roger Fryatt: 01362 688627** or **Patsy Catchpole: 01362 688352**



Beck WI

The Beck is an enthusiastic group which normally meets on the second Monday of each month at 7.30pm in the Old School Room at Sparham. Unfortunately, due to the covid-19 restrictions we are not able to meet at the moment. Please contact **Linda Rose on 688488** for further information.

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Fifty and Beyond (FAB)

FAB should meet on the first Wednesday of alternate months, with the first meeting being **3rd February 2021** at 10:00 for a 10:30 am start. We hope that this meeting will be able to go ahead but there will be more information in the February edition of the Reeves Tale.



Foxley Village Hall Coffee Morning

It is very difficult to predict when we will next be able to meet again and I have my doubts that we will be able to go ahead with the December or January coffee mornings at Foxley Village Hall, which would be due on **WEDNESDAY 16th December 2020** or **20th January 2021** at 10:30 am, but we live in hope!



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For more information, contact **Tara** on **01362 688826** or **Anne** on **01362 685308**. Find us on Facebook: Bawdeswell Little Monkeys.



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Foxley Village Hall

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PARISH COUNCILS

MEETING OF BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 5th
NOVEMBER 2020 AT 7.30pm HELD VIRTUALLY BY ZOOM

Present: B.Cunliffe (Chair), J. Lilwall, A Hartley-Walder, A. Toomey,
K. Ewing, R. Reed, Mrs. J Boxall (Clerk)

Members of the public – 0

County Councillor B. Borrett

District Councillor G. Bambridge and the Police were not in attendance.

Village Hall car park

Drawings and projected costings for work to improve the drainage, provide an overflow car parking area and to repair the existing surface in the Village Hall car park were received and circulated to council for consideration. It was acknowledged that the project would need to be funded through a loan from Public Works Loan Board (details of which were circulated) which will require full consultation with the community. It was agreed that the Council would form a working group to consider options with a view to progressing the scheme once current restrictions are lifted and consultation can take place.

Other matters

A meeting with Norfolk Wildlife Trust has been arranged to seek their advice on future maintenance of Adams Pit. A quote has been received for the maintenance of the Churchyard and Jubilee Gardens, further quotes are expected.

Finance

The balance of the Community account as at 31st October was confirmed as £22,269.99, Business Money Manager was £2258.76, Project Bawdeswell account (earmarked reserves) was confirmed as £5006.64.

The precept will be considered and approved at the December meeting. The precept is the parish council's share of the council tax. The precept demand goes to Breckland District Council, who collects the tax for the Parish Council. The 'Precept' is converted into an amount per Council Tax Band that is added onto the Council Tax bill.



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Planning

No new or late planning applications were received.

It was acknowledged that planning application 3PL/2020/0378/O - Development of three detached self-build properties with garages at Land adjacent Meadowbank & Loran Dereham Road has gone to appeal. The Parish Council has already submitted strong objections to the application. Please see Parish Council website for full draft minutes of this meeting.

Due to current Government restrictions, the next Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday 3rd December 2020 starting at 7.30pm via remote means. Members of the public are warmly invited to attend. Please contact the Clerk for joining instructions or see website. There will not be a January meeting and the first meeting in the New Year is scheduled to be held on the 4th February 2021.

The Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

If you have any concerns please contact the Parish Clerk Jo Boxall, White House, Pettywell, Reepham, NR10 4RN, Tel: 01603 879480, Email: bawdeswellpc@hotmail.com

Full draft minutes from this meeting and minutes from previous meetings, including financial / audit information and policies can be found on the Parish Council website <http://bawdeswell.norfolkparishes.gov.uk>

Foxley Parish Council

The next meeting of Foxley Parish Council will be on **Thursday 10th December** at 7:30pm. This meeting will hopefully take place in Foxley Village Hall but will more likely be by Zoom. Please contact the Parish Clerk, Linda Rose at 01362 688488 or foxleyparishclerk@outlook.com for the meeting code and log in.

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CHURCH NEWS

Bawdeswell Church News



Regular Sunday services in church stopped again at the beginning of November and we went back to meeting on line once more.

We had to cancel all our November services in the church due to the 2nd covid-19 lockdown.

Though several of the churches in our Benefice held short outdoor services on Remembrance Sunday, many of us chose to join in a group Remembrance Service online using Zoom again. The names of the fallen in World Wars one and two for all our villages took ten whole minutes to read out and was very moving, many families having lost more than one son.

The service was much enhanced with specially recorded music from Bawdeswell's All Saints Festival Choir. Our thanks to them for such beautiful singing, and their director James Lilwall.

We hope in December to be allowed to return to using our churches for services. Please see the Church Services page for details. The church is still open for Private Prayer and the Post Office.

Due to limitations in numbers we can allow inside Bawdeswell church we are having to issue tickets for the following services:

20th December Christmas Carols & Readings 4pm

25th December Christmas Day Family Communion 10.30am

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Church Letter

Dear Friends,

I am writing this on the 9th November, the day on which Pfizer and BioNTech, the pharmaceutical companies, have announced the development of a vaccine for Covid 19. This is an extraordinary achievement and a testament to the energy, expertise and persistence of those scientists who have been working on it.

If the vaccine passes the final stages of safety checks and regulatory approval is granted, we are told that up to 10 million people could be vaccinated before Christmas. This is, as described by one commentator, "a great day for science and humanity".

There can be no doubt that the last 8 months since the virus took hold in March have been challenging for all of us as we have seen restrictions on our lives never experienced before. For some the burden has been intensified as they have lost loved ones, experienced mental ill health problems and lost livelihoods. We need more than ever to be kind and forbearing with one another as the nation charts the way forward that we all yearn for.

As Christmas approaches it is too early to know if we will be able to gather once more in our churches as, or even in our homes, as wider families. The lockdown has caused many of us to re-value what we consider to be important in our lives and for many, many people it is the value that we place on relationships and community that has come to the forefront.

At the heart of the Christmas message is the fact that God wants a relationship with each of us, so much so that he became one of us. This eternal truth is not overshadowed by our current challenges, rather, it is seen in an even more vivid perspective. The God who was prepared to be born in such circumstances as Jesus was is surely the God who is with us now.

May we all be forbearing with one another as we celebrate this and look forward to a better year ahead.

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Foxley	-	-	-	-	-

**Carols (choir) and seasonal Readings.*

† Benefice Holy Communion 1030 at North Elmham

	3 rd Jan	10 th Jan	17 th Jan	24 th Jan	31 st Jan
Bawdeswell	10.30am HC	The 10:30	10.30am HC	Words & Praise 10.30	#
Foxley	-	-	-	-	-

Benefice Holy Communion

We hope to continue streaming services from Bawdeswell via Zoom or YouTube for the benefit of those who are unwilling to venture out still.

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