

WELCOME

'March winds, April showers bring forth May flowers'

The saying goes, here's hoping that as well as flowers, we get nearer to a new normal this month with the promise of more activities and events.

If all goes to plan then our regular events will start again from 17th May, albeit with face masks and social distancing protocols in place.

We all eagerly await the opportunities to meet up with family and friends that will follow as vaccines and testing roll out and we know that with care and patience this can be achieved.

Anne and team

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WHAT'S ON

May Events

Event	Date	Location/Time
Mobile Library	Tues 4 th May	From 11.15am
Coffee Takeaway Hub	Every Tues 10.30 – 11.30	Bawdeswell Village Hall Patio Fine Weather only
Bawdeswell Annual Parish Meeting & Annual Parish Council Meeting	Thurs 6 th May	Zoom Meeting 7.15 & 7.30pm See Parish Council Report for information on how to join
Foxley Parish Council Meeting	Wed 12 th May	Zoom Meeting 7.30pm See Parish Council Report for information on how to join
Foxley Coffee Morning	Wed 19 th May	Foxley Village Hall 10.30am
Knit and Natter	Thurs 27 th May	Bawdeswell Village Hall 2-4pm

Other Local Events

Event	Date	Location/Time
Reepham Gardening Club	Tues 18 th May	Zoom Meeting 7.30pm See Letters page for information on how to join
Reepham WI	Thurs 20 th May	Zoom Meeting 7.30pm See Letters page for information on how to join



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Zumba Fitness	Mon. 10 – 11am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
FitSteps	Mon. 11 – 12pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Zumba Fitness	Mon. 7 – 8pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Hub Cafe	Tues. 10am – 12pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Let's Dance	Tues. 9 – 10am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Zenchee Flow	Tues. 10 – 11am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Let's Dance	Wed. 9 – 10am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Zenchee Flow	Wed. 10 – 11am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Youth Football Club	Wed. 6 - 8pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Fitsteps	Thurs. 7 – 8pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
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LETTERS

REEPHAM GARDENING CLUB

Tuesday, 18th May 18, 7.30pm – On-line meeting via Zoom

Hawk Honey of the Suffolk Wildlife Trust

‘Wasps, Malicious or Misunderstood’

A follow up to Hawk’s very informative 2019 talk ‘Bees in Your Garden’. We all know a wasp when we see one, or do we? Much maligned throughout the summer months, yet what do we really know about wasps? Come along and find out more about these wonderful insects and judge for yourselves whether they are malicious or misunderstood.

For more information call Jeff Johnson on [01362 680066](tel:01362680066), visit our website: www.reephamgardenclub.org.uk .

Or find us on facebook: Reepham Gardening Club

Reepham WI - Please Join Us

Reepham WI will be holding its next meeting via Zoom, at 7.30pm on Thursday, 20th May.

We are delighted to welcome **Mark Francis** as our speaker. Mark was a contestant in Series 6 of the Great British Sewing Bee in 2020 - a timely speaker given that Series 7 of “GBSB” hit our TV screens in April.

Mark’s presentation entitled “***Gossip from the Great British Sewing Bee Sewing Room***” promises to be highly entertaining. Mark will also share how he started sewing, how he diversified his career from banking to sewing, his passion for waistcoats and “twilly ties” and so much more!

Guests are most welcome to participate in this meeting. Please register your interest to Christine Smith, Reepham WI Secretary, at williamsmith110@btinternet.com, so that Christine can let you have Zoom dial-in details, which will be confirmed a few days prior to the meeting.

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Bawdeswell Cemetery

Thanks to the work organised by David Leggett the hedge line has been tidied up at the cemetery and all the detritus cleared away making a huge difference to its aspect. The PCC is very grateful to David for this task and would like to thank him most warmly.

Sandi Taylor
PCC Secretary



Current Opening Hours and Locations

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Thurs 20th May	Skegness Day at Seaside	8.30am	£28
Fri 21st May	Harrogate Flower Show and	7am	from £230
To Sun 23rd May	NY Railway/Whitby		
Wed 26th May	Clacton On Sea Day at Seaside	9.00am	£24
Thurs 27th May	Colchester Zoo	8.30am	£45
Fri 28th May	Springfield's Shopping & Quilt Show	8am	£21/£26
Sat 29th May	Aled Jones – Ely Cathedral	2pm	£60
Sun 30th May	Helmingham Hall Craft & Plant Fair	9.30am	£35

June 2021

Wed 2nd June	Lavenham & Constable Country	8am	£30
Thurs 3rd June	Tina The Musical	8am	£80 now 17/3/22
Thurs 3rd June	Newark Antiques Fayre	7.30am	£37
Fri 4th June	Southwold Day at Seaside	9.30am	£22
Sat 5th June	Dover Castle	7.30am	£52 (EH £31)
Tues 8th June	Kew Gardens & Kew Palace	8am	£45
Wed 9th June	Bury St Edmunds & Market	9am	£20
Thurs 10th June	North Norfolk & East Ruston Old Vicarage Gardens	9am	£35
Fri 11th June	Jimmy's Farm & Wildlife Park	8.30am	£38
Mon 14th June	Devon & Cornwall 5 Day Break	7am	£495
To Fri 18th June	SS £100		
Wed 23rd June	Derbyshire Lunch Canal Cruise & Bakewell	7am	£60
Thurs 24th June	Lavenham & Beth Chatto Gardens	8.30am	£30
Fri 25th June	Blenheim Palace Flower Show	7.30am	£50
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Sat 26th June	Creative Crafts – NEC	7.30am	£42
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VILLAGE NEWS

Bawdeswell Village Hall



We're in May and heading along the Government's roadmap for lifting the restrictions that have been keeping us apart. We know that we're not out of the 'Covid-woods' yet but we're getting nearer to what might be the new-normal.

And now we're getting ready for the next step:

Trustees are now able to meet together (socially distanced of course) and they are continuing in their commitment of following all the government guidelines to help keep us all safe as we return to our Hall. We are delighted that Ruth Hannent has agreed to support Trustee Meetings by keeping our minutes.

Welcome back to our leaders of exercise and interest group classes, which can re-convene from 17th May.

- **Change of day for Coffee Take Away Hub**

We've listened to feedback from our community users about which day our Coffee Take Away Hub should be on. Consequently we are returning to Tuesdays from the beginning of May because this will link again with other services; our Post Office, and the monthly visits from the Mobile Library. **Our first Tuesday Coffee Take Away Hub will be on 4th May from 10:00.** Happily this is also the same day as the Mobile Library's first visit to Bawdeswell, it's due to arrive at the Village Hall at 11:20 before leaving at 11:45.

- **And we are delighted to advertise our next event. Do book and join in!**

Bawdeswell's Family 'Getting-Back-Together' BBQ

Come and celebrate with us all from 4:00 p.m. Saturday 5 June.

Bring your chairs and picnic rugs so that you can be in a "family bubble" and don't forget to Bring Your Own drinks.

Current government guidelines say we must be groups of less than 30, so we can spread groups into different parts of the recreation ground.

Please remember to help us all by social distancing.

(We're hoping for good weather but if it's wet, this will then take place on Sunday 6th June)

The Burgers (with veggie-burger option), Sausages, Gateaux and Ice-lollies are on us!

**** To help us prepare please ring Rob and Rita on 688875 to reserve your family's space****

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Bawdeswell Bowls Club

Bawdeswell Bowls Club season is about to get started, with the first home game on the green being Lakeside on Wednesday April 28th start 6 30pm.

Then Bawdeswell gets started on Friday 30th April against Mattishall but at the moment no spectators are allowed inside the greens fence until May 17th when it could change - at the moment you can stand outside fence. There is still plenty of time for new players to have a try, spare bowls available.

Home games in May are on 6th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 14th, 17th, 20th, 21st, 25th and 27th

For information, please contact **Paul on 01362 688615, Mob 07769694574**

E-mail: paul.digby5@hotmail.co.uk



Bawdeswell Knit and Natter

Hooray we can have a meeting on Thursday **27th May**.

2 - 4 pm at the Village Hall.

Come along and join us. New and current members welcome.

Refreshments will be available.

Enquiries: **Josie Beach 01362 688869**.



Book Club

Book Club Gatherings

Presuming that the Government's Roadmap continues as planned, we can reconvene on Thursday 1st July!!

8:00 in the Saga Lounge behind the Workhouse Bar.

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Bintree Bowls Club

Details of the return to outdoor bowls are shown on the Bowls England website. Step 1 was effective from 29 March which allowed organised bowls to take place but limited to 24 players under specified conditions. Step 2 was effective from 12 April when changing rooms could open. Step 3 is effective from 17 May when larger groups can gather. Step 4 is effective from 17 June when all restrictions are expected to be lifted. All of this, however, is dependent on the continuing control of the virus.

Our first roll-up of the year took place on 13 April when 17 members turned up to enjoy an afternoon of bowls in the sunshine. The green was in excellent condition thanks to the tireless efforts of Paul Digby.

By the time this issue is circulated, we would have played some league matches starting with an away fixture in the Elmham League versus Elmham Institute on 4 May. All fixtures and results for the Cawston, Elmham and Age Concern leagues are shown on our website **bintreebowlsclub.co.uk**.

New members are always welcome.



Beck WI

The Beck WI was formed on 20th January 1993 by Margaret Peachment and has been an enthusiastic group, meeting at Sparham's Old School Room, for the last 28 years. During that time members have been entertained and informed by speakers on a wide variety of topics. They have also undertaken fundraising walks, learnt new skills (with varying degrees of success) and joined in celebrations with other local WI groups.

The friendly atmosphere made meetings really enjoyable but unfortunately the numbers have declined in recent years and sadly, covid restrictions have accelerated the problems caused by decreasing numbers and increasing costs forcing The Beck to close.

Our thanks to Jennifer, Chris and Aleathia, who have so ably steered the group during recent years. It will be sorely missed by its members.

Other local WI groups operate locally - see the WI website for more information: **www.thewi.org.uk**

Spring Quiz

1. Who is the Roman goddess of spring?
2. What do we in the UK call the vegetables known as scallions in the US?
3. What kind of animal is a springbok?
4. Popular in SE Asia, what do we call the filled pastry appetiser of meat or vegetables?
5. Which town in central Australia takes its name from the wife of an ex-Postmaster General of South Australia?
6. What spring flower is often associated with Wales?
7. What is Foxley Wood famous for?
8. Which ship dropped anchor near Cape Cod in November 1620?
9. Which flying insect typically lives for just one day?
10. What is the May Tree more commonly known as in the UK?
11. Which Magic Roundabout character bounced around on a spring?
12. Which date is known as Star Wars Day?

(Answers on page 32)

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Bridge Club

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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**



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First **Tuesday** of the month, starting **6 July**, 7:30p.m. in the Saga Lounge

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Fifty and Beyond (**FAB**)

FAB should meet on the first Wednesday of alternate months.

The next scheduled meeting is on **2nd June**.



Foxley Village Hall Coffee Morning

Foxley Village Hall committee are looking forward to welcoming everyone back to the Foxley Coffee morning on **Wednesday 19th May** at 10:30. There will be the usual mix of coffee, cakes and chat with all tables socially distanced, but no raffle this time.

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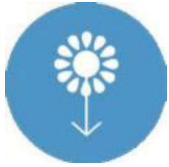
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Iceni Choir

The Iceni Choir is based in Reepham. We are at present 38 members both male and female. Rehearsals are every Wednesday evening 7.30pm at Reepham Methodist Church. The Iceni Choir is not meeting or performing at the moment.

Check out our website www.icenichoir.org for more information.



Little Monkeys Parent and Toddler Group

Bawdeswell Village Hall every Friday morning during term time, 9.15-11.30am. £2 for you and your child, 50p for each additional child. Includes snacks.

Opening to be reviewed after Lockdown ends.

For more information, contact **Tara** on **01362 688826**.

Find us on Facebook: Bawdeswell Little Monkeys.



Short Mat Bowls

Foxley Village Hall Every Monday and Friday 7pm – 9pm

Short mat bowls is suspended until restrictions allow.

To find out more, call **Dennis** on **01362 688099** or **Carole** on **01362 688567**.



Wensum Valley Birdwatching Society

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In the unlikely event that you cannot make same day contact with me, please call Angela Shannon on 01362 688111. I should stress that we do need as much notice as possible for a booking, but in the event of short notice, please still ring me and I will do my best to help.

As from Monday 17th May 2021 (subject to the Government's intended lifting of restrictions), we will be back to the normal way of operating the Community Car Scheme. That is, our volunteer drivers will take you to and from your medical appointment. In order to give the best protection for you and the driver, I am required to complete a short 'Risk Assessment' at the time of booking, but I am confident that with the continued goodwill and support of our drivers - upon whom we are totally reliant, that the scheme will continue to operate efficiently.

Finally, I should like to extend a big thank you to Richard Blyth, Andrew Toomey, Barbara Consadine and Lindsay Kuczma, who for various valid reasons have decided to retire from the Scheme. Their service has been very much appreciated and we will miss them.

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PARISH COUNCILS

MEETING OF BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 7th MARCH 2021 AT 7.30pm HELD VIRTUALLY BY ZOOM

Present: B.Cunliffe (Chair), J. Mallen, J.Lilwall, A. Toomey, A Hartley-Walder, K. Ewing and 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.

Drainage work - Village Hall car parking area

The Council has now received three quotes to carry out the work. The contactors consulted all agreed that the project was feasible. Following discussion, it was unanimously agreed to accept the quote from Mr Buck. The work is scheduled to be able to be carried out in July after the current crop has been harvested.

Speeding concerns

It was acknowledged that speeding is an issue in Bawdeswell and the Parish Council has a duty to take matters further. The speed reduction sign on Norwich road which hasn't been working recently was now working following a call to Highways. As it was felt that the speeding issues were mainly focused on the Reepham Road, past Reeves Close, and also The Street, past The School, there would not be enough locations to warrant a SAM2 speed awareness camera which required several locations and moving/ recharging every 4 weeks.

Following discussion, it was agreed to write to Highways (copy to be sent to County Cllr Borrett) to enquire if a permanent flashing sign could be installed just past 40mph sign on Reepham Road and if Parish Partnership funding would be available for this. It was agreed to draw attention to the recent housing development and subsequent increase in traffic. It was agreed to include on the May agenda for further consideration.



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Bawdeswell continued:

Planning applications

3PL/2021/0387/HOU - Proposed porch and rear single storey extension, with various internal alterations at 7 Hall Road, Bawdeswell

The Council agreed that they had no comment or objection.

3PL/2021/0320/HOU- Proposed single storey extension (north elevation) at Heath Cottage, Dereham Road, Bawdeswell

The Council unanimously agreed to object to this application as there have previously been extensive alterations to the property which the Council have objected to. Even though it is a small extension, it is continued by the Council to be an overdevelopment of the site.

Finance

The balance of the Community account as at 31st March 2021 was confirmed as £15677.10, Business Money Manager was £2258.86, Project Bawdeswell account (earmarked reserves) was confirmed as £5006.64. End of year accounts had been sent to the internal auditor.

Due to current Government restrictions, the Annual Parish meeting will be held on Thursday 6th May starting at 7.15pm & the Annual Parish Council meeting will be held on 6th May 2021 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.

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 is due to take place on **Wednesday 12th May 2021 at 7:30 pm by Zoom**. However, due to the lifting of government restrictions this date and venue may be subject to change – please see the village notice boards nearer the time for confirmation of the time and date.

A date for the diary: The Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parish Council Meeting will now take place on Thursday 15th July in Foxley Village Hall at 7:30 pm.

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Bawdeswell Church News



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The church bell was tolled 99 times during the hour before the funeral of the Duke of Edinburgh on 17th April.

We remembered him in our service the previous Sunday and a Benefice Memorial Service was held at Foulsham on the eve of the funeral.

Thank you for your support at the Good Friday and Easter services. The church was “full” to capacity under the current social distancing rules and we very much enjoyed the Festival Singers up in the gallery who added so much atmosphere of sadness and joy. Many thanks to the choir and those who decorated the church for Easter.

On May 23rd there is to be a special Benefice Service at Holy Innocents Church, Foulsham, the preacher Canon Keith James (Director of Ministry and Continuing Ministerial Development Officer).

Please note that the following Sunday being a fifth Sunday, it is North Elmham’s turn to host the Group Service and it will be at 10.30am.

Otherwise, we are back to our regular pattern of services in church at 10.30 every Sunday and will be streaming regularly on Zoom, either from Bawdeswell, North Elmham or Foulsham in turn.

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Church Letter

Dear Friends

The arrival of spring coincided with the easing of the lockdown restrictions and these two events have brought all of us some much-needed encouragement. During the winter months of lockdown the sense of isolation was exacerbated by the early onset of evening and darkness but now things are beginning to look so much more promising.

We are now able, as the days lengthen and the restrictions lifted, to rekindle our joy in the simple pleasures of life which we had taken for granted. To be able to move around more freely, to meet up with family and friends face to face rather than electronically has been such a blessing. I am sure the whole Covid experience has reminded all of us of what is important in our lives and in our communities.

Added to this, the glorious Norfolk countryside seems to be beckoning us to a better place. I am reminded of the words of the writer of the Song of Solomon (chapter 2. V10-12a) *“Arise my love, my fair one and come away; for now the winter is past; the flowers appear on the earth and the time of singing has come”*.

Our periods of forced incarceration over the last twelve months have been dispiriting for all of us. For some they have taken a real toll on their wellbeing and mental health. As we begin to pick up the threads of a more normal life let us be aware of those in our community who may find this more difficult. Kindness is such a tonic; the phone call, the visit, the bunch of wild flowers left on the doorstep. There are so many little but thoughtful ways in which we can show others that we care.

May we all enjoy the summer as we see it through fresh eyes and may we also enjoy being together once more.

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10.30am HC	The 10:30	10.30am HC	†	§

† *Benifice Service 1030 at Foulsham*

§ *Benifice Service 1030 at North Elmham*

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

Please let us know if you would like to join in and we will email you a link each week.

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