

Walberswick Village News

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ello and a Very Happy New Year
Welcome to the new look Village News. I am Sheila Parry.

Welcome to the new look *Village News*. I am Sheila Parry, your new editor. For those of you who don't know me, my husband, Guy, and I moved to the village full-time nearly four years ago from the Chilterns in West Hertfordshire. We are retired with backgrounds in sales and marketing in the software industry. Already involved in various committees and activities in the village, but far from knowledgeable about all things Walberswick, I hope, with your help, to bring you news from our amazing community. Please do send me your updates, and don't hesitate to get in touch if I can assist in any way. Contact details at the bottom of the page.

Postcards from the Scroll for sale

With kind permission of the Walberswick Parish Council, we are printing postcards of selected details taken from the Walberswick Scroll. The cards cost £2 each and are printed with the standard postcard format on the back. The case Tony Whittenbury so cleverly designed 30 years ago now needs repair, so all proceeds will go to the refurbishment and maintenance of the Scroll. Several scenes are already in stock but any house or other detail may be ordered

To see a selection of pictures and a thumbnail of the entire Scroll, go to the 'Contact Us' page on the Walberswick website, or tinyurl.com/w7dzjtx from which page you can see the gallery, make your choice and order. **Scroll Advisory Group**



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BBC Villages by the Sea Walberswick's medieval history

On Monday 16 December, for 'Look East', the archaeologist Ben Robinson presented an attractive programme about Walberswick. This was part of a series called *Villages by the Sea* made for BBC television. It was beautifully filmed and was brought to life by locals speaking about Walberswick with love and knowledge.

It started by walking us down Stocks Lane, where Philip Kett talked of early days when we were shipbuilders; Dani Church spoke on the importance of the river; Pat Lancaster, using her Local History Group's Archives, reported on past travails; John Simpson described how the Church is a mirror to the history of Walberswick; Bill Ungless told of architect Frank Jennings; and finally, Jo Lowrie was expressively painting what is inseparable from the life of our village - the sea and the sky

It will be shown again in the New Year with the whole series. **Bill Ungless**

Nearly £3,800 raised for Cancer Research UK

Thanks to everyone who helped make the Cancer Research mini market a resounding success this year. Thanks also to all who attended and were so generous. We made a total of £2,889.58 from the market. Thanks to a donation from Margaret and Trevor from plants they sold over the summer, our total became an amazing £3,765.43. We have minimal expenses and a little more coming in to add to the pot, so we will be sending a cheque to Cancer Research UK for about £3,800. What a terrific result for such a worthy cause!

Betsy Lemmon

THE ANCHOR AT CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR

Sunday, 22 December — Music, Magic and Thai Buffet from 6.30pm
Christmas Day — Closed. Boxing Day — Drinks all day until normal closing time. Food until 6pm.
Friday, 27 December — 'Open Mic' and Greek Buffet from 6.30pm. Free entry, but performers please book Saturday, 28 December — Pizzas 5-7pm, Bingo 6-7pm, Vinyl Night from 8pm
Sunday, 29 December — Curry Buffet and Pub Quiz from 6.30pm

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New Year's Eve — Family Seating 6-8pm or from 8.45pm serving a 4-course dinner, disco & fireworks (£65pp) New Year's Day — Drinks all day until normal closing time. Food until 6pm. BBQ 12-3pm (weather permitting)

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Playground improvements

As most people will have noticed, the children's slide on The Green has been boarded up as severe corrosion has made it unsafe. This has been a serious concern for the WPC and we have been looking for ways to finance a replacement. We are happy to announce that the slide will now be replaced, along with the safety matting where necessary, thanks to our ability to use monies from the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and contributions from both the WCLC and from Country Cllr. Richard Smith's Locality Budget.

We hope also to replace the adjacent swings with the help of a generous donation from District Cllr. David Beavan's Locality Budget. Works are to commence in the New Year. **Walberswick Parish Council**

Add a decoration



In village tradition, residents, friends and visitors are invited to add their personalised Christmas decorations in memory of loved ones to the Christmas tree on The Green. Please make sure the decorations are winter-weather proof and are attached to the tree very securely.

Our thanks to Jon Winyard and Lee Sutton for decorating the tree.

Editor

Fierce competition at The Bell's Christmas Quiz

Athough there were fewer teams this year, the competition was fierce. After eight rounds and two table quizzes, there was nothing to separate the two winning teams, each with 116 points out of a possible 136. £200 was raised for Sole Bay Carers. Thanks to Thomas and Jo for providing the prizes and for their excellent organisation. Please put next year's date in your diary: 4 December 2020. **Ben and Jen Cardwell.**

New planning applications

The following properties have recently applied for planning permission:

- Longroof, Leveretts Lane
- Sea View, The Street
- The Old Tea Rooms, The Green
- Westons, The Street
- Little Chapter, Church Field
- Windmill Cottage, Millfield Road
- The Parish Lantern
- Coopers Thatch, Leveretts Lane
- Beta Cottage, The Green
- Admiral House, The Street
- Longshore, The Street

Full details on the Planning page of the Village Website. For the Planning Advisory Group reports, go to tinyurl.com/tdbvulf

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WALBERSWICK.SUFFOLK.GOV.UK

Grey bin collection date changed from 23 December to 21 December

The grey bin collection scheduled for Monday, 23 December, will now be two days earlier on Saturday, 21 December. The blue and green bin collection on Monday, 30 December, will go ahead as scheduled.

Collection calendars for 2020 were distributed on a very windy day, so if yours disappeared in the gales, in the new year you will need to download one from the East Suffolk Refuse Collection website. Look for the link on the village website *Local Information* page.

Please remember to put your bins away after they have been emptied or, if you are not here, arrange for someone to do it for you. **Editor**

Still time to donate to charity in lieu of Christmas cards

This year's charity is Sole Bay Care Fund or donate to your own charity. The list, which is on display, and the collection box are available at The Tuck Shop. Or deliver to **Viv**, St Francis, Seven Acres Lane, 01502 723142 alvivhunt@btinternet or **Irene**, 7 Manor Close, 01502 723743 irenemp@btinternet.com.

Joyful Carols on the Green

A huge thanks to everybody who helped to make this such an amazing community evening, with great singing to John Flack's band. Thank you John. We raised £177.30, which will be divided between the NSPCC and the Walberswick bonfire fundraising committee. **Hannah Sutton**



A Play for Christmas



Sunday, 22 December

3.30pm in the Village Hall. Doors open at 2pm. The Keeper's Daughter Company present their imaginative, magical and vibrant

interpretation of *A Christmas Carol*. A treat for all the family. Puddings, pies and drinks are available before the show. Tickets from The Tuck Shop, £8 or £5 for children under 12 years old. **Jill Willison**

WI meeting: January Quiz Thursday, 2 January

Early start at 2pm in the Village Hall. The January quiz will follow the payment of annual subscriptions. Sheila Parry, WI Committee

Walberswick Children's Club Friday, 10 January

Doors open at 5.30pm, activities start at 6pm in the Village Hall. £1 admission on the door. Drinks and snacks on sale on the evening. Contact Hannah on hannahsutton2013@hotmail.com for more information.

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A Change to Church Matters

Readers will notice a change on the Church Matters page; instead of a writing a monthly letter, The Reverend Canon Simon Pitcher will be sending us letters on the main Christian festivals. We would like to express our gratitude to Simon for the many letters he has written for us over the years, and we thank him for agreeing this new arrangement that will allow us to give more coverage to news and events concerning the village and St Andrew's.

Brian Fisher and Harry Edwards have also been good enough to write many letters for the *Village News* and we thank them for their words of wisdom in the past, and hope they will contribute letters in the future.

Edward Wright, Chairman, Village News Committee

Candlelit Carol Service

Don't miss this year's Carol Service in candlelit St Andrew's church at 6pm on Monday, 23 December. Always a special occasion, this year we are reminded by the late Sir Stephen Cleobury of Kings College Cambridge Choir, that: "Hearing Once In Royal David's City or In the Bleak Midwinter connects us with something earlier in our lives and proves a solace of some kind." Julia Josephs



More Diary Dates

AGM Village News Monday, 13 January

5.30pm Members of the public may attend and ask questions at the end, but may not participate in the business of the meeting. The meeting will be held at a private house, so if you wish to attend please contact walberswicknews@gmail.com. **Editor**

Parish Council Meeting Monday, 13 January

7.15pm in the Village Hall Annexe. All enquiries to walberswickclerk@gmail.com

Conversations from a Long Marriage Wednesday, 22 January

11.30am on BBC Radio 4. A full series of *Conversations from a Long Marriage*, created and written in Walberswick by Jan Etherington and starring Joanna Lumley and Roger Allam. **Jan Etherington**

Sweeney Todd the Barber

Thursday — Sunday, 13-16 February

Walberswick proudly presents SWEENEY TODD THE BARBER, a Victorian melodrama. Evening shows start at 7.30pm in the Village Hall from Thursday through Saturday, 13—15 February. Matinee on Sunday, 16 February at 2.30pm. Tickets are £10 and are available from early January from the Tuck Shop or phone 01502 722120. Please note that the

production is not suitable for very young children. Jill Willison

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Community Services

Mobile Library: Friday, 10 January, 2.20pm — 2.50pm, Village Hall

Post Office: Tuesdays 1pm — 3pm, Thursdays 10am — Noon, *No service on Boxing Day.* Village Hall Annexe

Norwich bus: Thursday,16 January. Departs 9am. Leaves Norwich at 1.30pm. Contact Rita Woodcraft on 077964 475350 or 01502 722958 to book a seat

Halesworth bus: Wednesday 8,15 & 22 January
Departs 10am. Leaves Halesworth at 11.45am
Lowestoft bus: No service on New Year's Day
Bus stops: the Church, the Tuck Shop and the Village Hall.

Church Matters

St Andrew's Church Walberswick

Team Rector

Rev Canon Simon Pitcher 01502 725424 revsimons63@gmail.com

Ordained Local Minister

Rev Brian Fisher 01502 723023

Church Warden

John Simpson 01502 723384 johnsimpson1109@gmail.com

January 2020 Services

5 January — 11.15am Epiphany Sunday

Parish Éucharist Joined by Blythburgh

12 January — 6pm

1st Sunday of Epiphany Choral Evensong

19 January — 11.15am

2nd Sunday of Epiphany Parish Eucharist

26 January — 11.15am

Family at St Andrew's. Drinks and pastries at 10.45 am

Tuesdays — 5pm

Evening Prayer (said)

Wednesdays — 10am Holy Communion (said)

1st Wednesday of the month 10am — Healing Service (said)

Parish Eucharist services are Common Worship. Evensong uses the Book of Common Prayer.

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Commemorative Flowers

5 January — John & Denise Brentnall for Ralph & Margaret Erskine

12 January — Judy Morton for her parents, Bill & Olive Quenzer

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