

Walberswick Village News

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Reminder to the Children of the Village

If you have not yet submitted your entry for the drawing competition, please send it to me as soon as possible as the closing date for entries is the end of the day on Monday, 13 April 2020. If you missed the competition details in the last edition of the Village News, you can find them on the village website tinyurl.com/v8kvtw7

All drawings entered into the competition can be seen at tinyurl.com/t728s2z

Even if you are not resident in the village, or are over the age of 16, and therefore not eligible for a prize, do send me your drawing and we will display it along with all our entries **Editor** walberswicknews@gmail.com



Parish Council Meeting

Due to current Covid-19 restrictions, both the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) and the Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC) are asking local councils to stop holding any physical meetings or gatherings. This includes full council, committee meetings, annual parish and annual council meetings. Recent legislation changes have now allowed for remote parish council meetings to take place if necessary. While we sort out the technology infrastructure required to meet remotely in line with the legislation, we have postponed our next WPC meeting until Monday 20 April at 7.15pm. Until normal operations return, WPC will keep any meeting agendas to a minimum, concentrating on essential items with emphasis on maintaining financial oversight and authorising necessary expenditures and items that are time-sensitive such as planning applications. Further details on how the public can 'attend' a remote meeting will be posted as part of the agenda. Members of the public who wish to reach the Council can continue to do so, as normal, by emailing the WPC Clerk at walberswickclerk@gmail.com

Local Heroes

An enormous thank you to Andy at the Black Dog Deli for stocking and delivering not only his normal deli goods, but also essentials such as bread, milk, rice, pasta, flour, meat, etc. His ready meals are winning fame across the county, and where would we be without those special treats he somehow produces like magic. Our thanks also to Mike in the Deli and to both of you for cheering us up with those hilarious videos reminding us about home deliveries, social distancing, and more.

The Black Dog Deli
You have joined the Tuck Shop as one
of our local heroes

A Special Walberswick





We can be heroes everyday

Acts of kindness

A ring on my doorbell the other afternoon. When I opened the door, cautiously, no-one there, but instead a beautiful heart shaped cake with jam in the middle and a kind, unsigned, note. I consumed it with relish with my cup of tea, giving quiet thanks to the anonymous donor for their kindness.

Of course I should have realised the cake was from my good neighbour and one of the Community Support Group, Suzzie Godfrey. I have since been able to thank her, at a distance.

Jessica Duffy

Walberswick Community Support Group

Don't forget, if you need assistance of any kind, please contact Liz Green on 01502 724889 email liz.green@mac.com

Mental health issues

The government has guidance on the mental health and wellbeing aspects of Covid-19 on the official www.gov.uk website tinyurl.com/vbrhvsd







Gardeners corner

Grow Your Own

On the back of a suggestion from Jane Gomm, I got in touch with Ladybird Nurseries, near Snape, yesterday to ask whether they would deliver to the village. They would be delighted to do so. If, like me, you are having trouble sourcing fruit, veg and flower seedlings you might like to give them a ring or email them with your order. Ask to be part of the Walberswick delivery and mention Angela at the nursery, who answered my enquiry. If we can get the amount ordered between us to total £50 or more the delivery charge would be £15. Less than £50 it would be £20. Delivery will be in a few weeks time.

Phone: 01728 688289

Email: ladybirdorders@gmail.com www.ladybirdnurseries.co.uk

Even if you have never before considered yourself to have 'green fingers' why not give it a go this year! Some lettuce among your flower border or a tomato plant in a bucket? **Diana Wright**

Online nurseries

Gardeners World is maintaining a list of nurseries and specialist growers offering online ordering and deliveries. The list can be found at tinyurl.com/tu9clk5

Another list is being maintained by garden.help and can be found at tinyurl.com/trlkzya

Write a One Minute Monologue

The 6th INK Festival should have opened on 17 April. INK blazes a trail for new short plays and also works all year, in this region, enabling those whose voices are rarely heard. To mark 17 April, we will be posting top script writing tips three times a week from some of our best and finest writers. These can be found on INK's Facebook page or Twitter.

Why not try writing us a One Minute Monologue? It might be filmed, posted with your permission on our social media or even performed at next year's Festival. For more details please look at the INK website Email www.inkfestival.org. your entry

jane@inkfestival.org



Play writing opportunities for INK Festival 2021 will also be posted INK has received soon. scripts from writers aged 9 to 90. Why not give it a go. No experience necessary and it's free. Julia Sowerbutts

Video chat options while in lockdown

Unsure which video app to use to chat to family and friends, or worried about online security? This article in The Guardian talks you through your options. tinyurl.com/vjvonm8

VISIT THE VILLAGE WEBSITE

WALBERSWICK.SUFFOLK.GOV.UK

Walberswick car parks

As some of you will have noticed, we have posted signs in the car parks announcing that Walberswick Car Parks Limited has had to cease operations during the Covid-19 pandemic. We will be operational again as soon as Government regulation allows. As all of our profit goes to support the Walberswick Common Lands Charity, we are anxious for the return of better days and welcoming back our visitors. In the meantime, we are doing all we can to limit our expenses including filing for the business rate holiday that Government has granted to retail, hospitality and leisure-oriented businesses like ours. We decided against trying to physically block off the car parks because having a place to park may be needed by villagers and those living within a reasonable distance who wish to use the beach for allowable daily exercise. Moreover, it might inadvertently make social distancing more difficult because it could increase on-street parking. We are prepared to start up normal operations as soon as restrictions are lifted. Chair of the WPC on behalf of the Car Parks Directors

Chow, a WhatsApp group to stay connected with what's cooking in Walberswick

I've set up a WhatsApp group to alert members to anything foodie happening in the village, and to enable orders to be placed. We



have themed takeaway nights at the Anchor, specials from the Black Dog Deli, alerts when the fish van is visiting the village, and wine deliveries from Valley Farm Vineyards. If you don't already have WhatsApp on your phone, it's easy to download. If you would like to be added to the Chow group or need more information, please send your mobile number and full name to 07775 512995 or parry.guy@gmail. Guy Parry

Consider signing up to the Covid-19 symptom tracker research project, even if you are well



Download the app to your smart phone and join millions of people supporting scientists at King's College London in their research. Even if you are well, it will help our health services identify how fast the virus is spreading in our area, high-risk areas in the UK, and who is most at risk, by understanding better the symptoms linked to underlying health conditions.

It really takes no time to report in daily. There is a full Q&A, information on the research, and links to download the app on the website covid.joinzoe.com

Planning applications

At the time of going to print, the following properties were still awaiting a decision on their planning applications:

- Commonside, Palmers Lane
- Mirna, Manor Close
- Stocks House, Stocks Lane
- Heritage Hut, The Green

For the latest applications and full details on the above, go to the Planning page on the Village Website. For the Planning Advisory Group reports, go to tinyurl.com/ tdbvulf

Eucharist Service on Easter Sunday by **Zoom**

Alan Perry, Team Vicar for Sole Bay, will be conducting the service on Easter Sunday, 12 April, live via the online service, Zoom, at 9.30am.

To participate, you will need internet access. Click on the link below and download the App when prompted. Click on install and then on Join a Meeting. You may wish to download the App well before the meeting starts so you are ready on time.

You are encouraged to have with you a small piece of bread and a small drop of wine that will be blessed in the service.

Zoom information

Topic: Easter Day Eucharist Time: 12 April 2020, 09:30am London

Join Zoom Meeting https://us04web.zoom.us/j/470931010? pwd=dHFFeTdaWGhNTIRub21QK25ZNk9LZz09

Alternatively try: tinyurl.com/ul2r3ml

Meeting ID: 470 931 010 Password: 567067

Church Matters

St Andrew's Church Walberswick

Team Rector

Rev Canon Simon Pitcher 01502 725424 revsimon63@gmail.com

Ordained Local Minister

Rev Brian Fisher 01502 723023

Church Warden

John Simpson 01502 723384 johnsimpson1109@gmail.com

All services have been cancelled and the Church is closed.

There will be no weddings, baptisms or funerals inside the Church until further notice.

If there is an emergency, or if you need to speak to someone, please contact the above.



Village houses, but which ones?

[Answers on the next page]

Paintings by Jessie M Browton 1882-1971. She lived at Blythwyc Cottage in Walberswick and was a member of the Walberswick Art Club 1947-1956. Images from the Archive of the Local History Group, with their permission.





Little Gems, Southwold Market Place, will deliver

Matt is delivering to Walberswick on Tuesdays & Fridays, lovely fresh fruit, vegetables and much more. Please email if possible to mattyb8@hotmail.co.uk or alternately call 07901 978705.

Quick & easy lockdown recipe

A delicious recipe from Suzzie Godfrey using ingredients that are easy to find.



Sundried Tomato and Cheese Flatbakes

Uses a jar of sundried tomatoes and any knob of 'over the hill' cheese.

1/2 packet of puff pastry Onions - caramelized Few slices of bacon or lardons Red pepper - finely sliced Jar of sundried tomatoes Grated cheese Fresh basil leaves to garnish

- 1. finely slice the onions, fry until soft and translucent. Add some sugar and a splash of balsamic vinegar
- cut bacon into fine strips and fry until crispy
- roll out pastry into a rectangle and place on a baking
- lightly brush with oil
- fold the edges over to make a pastry rim to hold the 5.
- 6. spread the onions evenly over pastry
- place the bacon, red pepper and sundried tomatoes on top
- sprinkle over the cheese bake at 200°C or 180° c fan for about 20mins or until 9. the edges are golden brown
- 10. garnish with basil if available.

Message to the Advertisers in the Village News

Due to the current crisis, we have been unable to produce printed copies of the Village News and distribute them to every house in the village. While we are producing an email version, this does not have the same circulation and we are therefore not including any advertisements. When we are once more able to distribute paper copies, we will extend the number of times your advertisements will appear to reflect the missed months. You will still receive your full six or 12 months' worth of advertisements. Editor

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- What is the first name of Mr Darcy, hero of Pride and Prejudice?
- In the Hans Christian Anderson story, what is the name of the little girl who was found inside the petals of a flower?
- Who is the patron saint of musicians?
- What are the names of the three "Darling" children in "Peter Pan"?
- Who said: "He was a bold man that first ate an oyster"?

Unexpected Beauty in the Time of Corona by Josie Bassinette (in her private capacity)

Instalment 2: Please Mister, Give Me More to Read

With thanks to the VN Editor, I am back to share a second instalment of 'Beauty in the Time of Corona' with a small vignette from a bit farther afield. This time from New York City which is currently at the centre of America's pandemic.

My son, Daniel, is a first-year teacher of English language and literature at a high school in the Bronx, New York City. Most of his students are low income, many speak Spanish as a first language at home and many struggle using technology. While the majority of students would like to learn, Daniel has found that the temptation presented by the minority to disengage or act out in class can often overwhelm the other students in the room. Therefore, when schools were shut three weeks ago, Daniel despaired for the fate of his students.

He is now teaching them from his virtual classroom for each of his five classes every day. NYC's school district gave all of Daniel's students a laptop to take home. Before, most used their mobile phones for online written assignments or simply stuck to pen and paper. They now log in at the start of class. Not all the kids show up, in fact as weeks have gone on, more are absent. But there are some small miracles. For the first time, there are no discipline problems. Kids that cannot stand to be in school simply aren't there. Many of those that are showing up online are coming for the unusual benefit of working one on one with their teacher. All of the students have very quickly learnt how to navigate the computer, its applications and to write documents, when very few of them had these skills before. And some kids are finding a love of learning and literature that may not have happened if not for being forced to live a narrow life in this virus lock down.

So here comes the title of this article. One girl, freed a bit from the tyranny of 'teaching to the test' and other constraints from normal school, has been asking for more. With time on her hands, and no pressure from peers, she writes to Daniel during or before class asking for more to read. He has sent her links to poetry, essays, 'The Great Gatsby' (in fillm and print). And still she writes, "Please Mister, send me more to read." I wonder how many future writers, scholars or teachers, so unlikely before, may arise from the Covid ashes.

Quiz answers

- 1. Fitzwilliam
- 2. Thumbelina
- 3. Cecilia
- 4. Wendy, John and Michael
- 5. Jonathan Swift

Village Houses

- Ferry House on the right. The house on the left and the small cottage were both demolished by the bomb in 1942. A goat in the foreground and possibly Mrs Gilbert going towards her house. Painted in 1936.
- The Old Vicarage in its damaged state after being hit by the bomb in 1942. Painted in 1948.