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#### MORE FUNDRAISING IN WALBERSWICK!

#### CANCER RESEARCH U.K - MINI MARKET

We achieved yet another record breaking amount at our Mini Market on the 7<sup>th</sup> December 2002 with the final figure reaching £1,677. This was quite outstanding and very much appreciated by Cancer Research U.K. I would like to thank Philip and Pat Kett for making sure the Hall was decorated in time for the event. This certainly added to the marvellous atmosphere in the Hall. I would also like to thank everyone who so generously supported this event in every way. Without the generosity of Walberswick this wonderful result would not have been possible. We also sold Christmas cards to the value of £395.

#### Margaret Adkinson.

#### SAVE THE CHILDREN - AUCTION OF PLEDGES BY SEALED BIDS

Following the amazing success of the NSPCC Auction of Pledges, we'd like to offer another list of pledges, via this Newsletter and the Village Shop, during Save The Children Week (Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April – Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2003). Sealed bids to be given to Committee members by 16:00 Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2003. Highest bidders will secure the pledge and will be informed within 24 hours.

Start the New Year in a generous spirit and contact one of the Committee with your Pledge, please, however small.

| Val Anderson     | 724609 |
|------------------|--------|
| Faith Blackman   | 724278 |
| Wynn Rydell      | 722869 |
| Maureen Thompson | 723755 |
|                  |        |

#### Val Anderson.

#### TRAIDCRAFT

I have received a note from Jay Williamson thanking the people of Walberswick for their enthusiastic response to the Traidcraft Day held at Greengates. She sold over £900 worth of goods, which is excellent news for the producers in the developing countries as bigger orders can be placed.

#### **Christine Mitchell.**

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#### SHOE BOXES FOR ROMANIAN ORPHANS

I am collecting shoe boxes or backpacks for orphans and sick children aged 8 –16 years living in Pascani and lafi in Romania. Suggested items to include are:

- Rulers, pens, crayons, geometry sets
- Notebooks, colouring books
- Playing cards, dominoes or other small games
- Small cars, photo albums
- Soap, shampoo, hairbrush - Hats, gloves

The completed shoe box or back pack should be wrapped up and include a label identifying the age and whether it's for a boy or girl. Please also include £2 to cover transport costs and deliver your gift to me at The Bell Inn by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2003. I will then arrange for it to reach Romania. For any other details please contact me on 723109.

Thank you for your support.

#### Sue.

The Bell Inn

#### **BRIDGE CLUB NEWS**

Monday Bridge Club restarts on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2003 at 14:00 in the Village Hall Annex.

Margot Godbold.

#### PRIESTS, POETS AND PERVERTS

A SCANDALOUS HISTORY OF CHURCH MUSIC IN THE  ${\rm 16}^{\rm TH}$  CENTURY.

The Reverend James Saunders has been persuaded to repeat his hilarious talk, given earlier this year at St. Edmunds. With the help of the Blythburgh Singers, he hopes to regale you with tales of some very odd church musicians at St Andrew's Church at 15:00 Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2003. Entrance free. Retiring collection in aid of the Church.

#### Patsy Murray.

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## **CHURCH MATTERS**

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#### CHURCH SERVICES FOR DECEMBER

| Sunday  | 5th  | January   | The Epiphany           | 09:30 | Sung Eucharist                      |
|---------|------|-----------|------------------------|-------|-------------------------------------|
| Sunday  | 12th | January   | Baptism of Christ      |       | Family Eucharist<br>Choral Evensong |
| Tuesday | 19th | January   | 2nd of Epiphany        | 11:00 | Morning Prayer                      |
| Sunday  | 26th | January   | 3rd of Epiphany        | 09:30 | Sung Eucharist                      |
|         |      | Holy Comm | union 1662 (said) ever | Wedn  | esday at 10.00                      |

Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10:00 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17:00 Sunday School term starts 19th January 2003.

#### FLOWER ARRANGERS

Dione Shirreff Kathleen Patterson British Legion Mary King

#### LETTER FROM THE 'NEW BOY'

A very Happy New Year to you all. We move into 2003 with changes of role in our clergy team. On 10<sup>th</sup> December 2002 the institution of the Reverend Jane Wilson, as our new team rector, took place at St Edmund's Church, Southwold. The Bishop of Dunwich, the Rt. Reverend Clive Young led the service. As the junior member of the team I had the responsibility of being the Bishop's chaplain i.e. looking after his crozier and his mitre. At that same service it was announced that Graham Owen would become team vicar for Blythburgh and Walberswick, as well as for Sotherton, Wangford and Uggeshall.

Elsewhere in this newsletter you will read about our curate, James Saunders, who will be giving a lecture entitled 'Priest, Poets and Perverts' in St Andrew's Church. James tells me that the subtitle for this is 'a scandalous history of English cathedral choirs in the 16<sup>th</sup> century'. James will be supported by the Blythburgh Singers. Come along and enjoy the afternoon.

Is it my imagination or do 'new year' days seem to come around more quickly than ever? None of us know what 2003 will hold for us as individuals, as families, or as a community. There may well be times of joy as well as times of sadness.

Whatever changes occur in our lives, we need to remember the words from the letter to the Hebrews in the New Testament that, 'Jesus Christ is <u>the same</u> yesterday and today and for ever.'

Yours in his name.

Brian Fisher.

#### WI CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR

Our first meeting in 2003 is on 8<sup>th</sup> January when Leslie Pyke will tell us about glass engraving. On 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2003 we shall be celebrating the New Year with a luncheon at The Wentworth Hotel in Aldeburgh – 12:30 for 13:00, departing 15:30 at the latest. We very nearly had a full turn out for the Christmas Party as well as invited guests from Peasenhall and Dunwich WIs. Vivien and Julia played some piano duets before Vivien gave a reading and piano solo about a donkey. After singing many favourite carols, we had a short Beetle drive before a truly luscious tea as is expected from Walberswick.WI.

Julia Josephs.

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#### **PARISH REGISTER**

30<sup>th</sup> November 2002 Holy Matrimony Mark Lester and Mischa Gaudin

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#### **NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL NOVEMBER 2002 MEETING**

Planning permission has been granted for alterations to Threeways, The Street to enable a loft conversion.

The council now has a policy on Memorial seats for the village. In future only requests for memorial seats for long-standing residents, or those with long-term connections with the village would be considered by the Parish Council. Only then would permission be sought from the landowners. It was also agreed that the Parish Council would reserve the right to remove any seat, under their control, once it reached a state of disrepair.

The Chairman reported that he had been invited to attend a meeting of Southwold Town Council to discuss proposals for street lighting along the Harbour Road, Southwold. He reported that he had protested strongly against the installation of lights and that Walberswick did not want any further visual intrusions from the Southwold side of the river (like the caravan site and lifeboat hut). He informed the Council that the majority of people in Walberswick preferred not to have street lighting in the village and felt that this should not be imposed upon by Southwold Town Council. He also felt that there were other more effective and less obtrusive security methods that could be used.

It was noted that Carols Round the Tree would take place on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2002.

John Brentnall.

#### NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL DECEMBER 2002 MEETING

Planning permission has been granted for the demolition of an existing sun lounge and the erection of a one and a half storey side extension at Kermont, The Street. The Council has been informed that the Parish Council Elections will take place on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2003. The cost for contested elections for parishes is between £320 and £450 per election. It was unanimously supported to keep the number of councillors to seven. There will be a further notice concerning elections in the next edition of the Village News.

There is one quarter allotment available to rent at a fee of £6.00.

PC Mike Upson sent a report to the Council stating that it was Suffolk Constabulary's intention to acquire some new "Mobile Operating Buses" which would visit the village for one hour every four weeks. It would be staffed by a civilian driver, a station clerk and police officer. He stated that he would endeavour to be in attendance whenever possible.

Mr David Webb reported that the new board walk has been completed by the side of the creek. He also stated that two further board walks are extremely slippery at the moment.

Next meeting is 6<sup>th</sup> January 2003.

John Brentnall.

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#### WHAT'S ON - JANUARY 2003

**GP SURGERY** Wednesdays 14:30. Village Hall Annex. LIBRARY BUS Alternate Fridays. Church 14:30/Village Hall 15:10. 10th and 24th January. 6th Bridge Club 14:30 Village Hall Annex. January Ladies and Men's Keep Fit, 09:30 or 10:30 Village Hall. 7th January 8th January WI meeting. 10th January Blyth Valley Computer Society meeting 19:00 Village Hall. Annex. 19th January Talk by Revd. J. Saunders, 15:00, St Andrew's Church. 22nd January WI New Year lunch.

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#### FUNDRAISING MATTERS

#### WALBERSWICK CAR PARKS

#### CHILDREN'S SOCIETY the Society. Our thanks to those who helped and organised this event and to those who contributed. Robin Wardle, Hon Sec.

#### LEAGUE OF FRIENDS

It has been another record year for contributions to the annual collection for the League of Friends of Southwold Hospital. The grand sum of £810.05 was raised. Very many thanks to the gallant band of collectors and to those who generously gave to this worthy cause. It is much appreciated by the staff and patients. Mary King.

#### SAVE THE CHILDREN

Auction of Pledges by Sealed Bids. Save The Children Week 27th April - 3rd May 2003 may seem a long time away, but to make this event a success we need many more offers of pledges NOW! Put on your thinking caps and pick up the phone to make your pledges without delay. Val Anderson 724609, Faith Blackman 724278, Wynn Rydell 722869, Maureen Thompson 723755. Details about making bids on these amazing offers to follow.

Val Anderson.

#### **RUBBISH IN THE STREET!**

Following the Christmas period a large number of dustbin bags were left outside houses days before they were due for collection. Rubbish often leaks from the bags and blows around the village. Please do not leave bin bags out on the street, they should be collected from within the borders of each property. The Parish Council.

## **ELECTIONS**

The Parish Council elections will take place on 1st May 2003. If you are thinking about standing for election to the **Pru Ford-Crush**. Council, then keep an eye on the village notice boards for further instructions. John Brentnall.

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Most villagers are aware of the formation of WCP Ltd by Carols on the green on 23rd December raised £280.41 for the Walberswick Common Land Charity Trust (WCLCT) on the advice of the Visitor Management Working Group in conjunction with the introduction of parking restrictions and other road safety initiatives. Due to their charitable status it was necessary for WCLCT to form WCPL who in turn were covenanted to return all profits made. A lot of hard work, meetings and hours of discussions took place over the winter of 96/97 prior to WCPL receiving their first fee on 1st May 1997. Since then, I am proud to say we have proved to be a well run company with a dedicated Board of (unpaid) Directors, first class managers and an extremely willing and helpful paid workforce. As a result of all our hard work WCPL have covenanted to WCLCT approximately £127,000 since formation. We have paid out approximately £120,000 in wages/salaries and spent £27,000 on repairs, maintenance, resurfacing, drainage, etc. to the two car parks. WCLC trustees, in conjunction with Walberswick Parish Council, have the task of allocating the covenanted monies for good and charitable works within the village. Since 1998 numerous projects have been considered and many acted upon. For example (all figures are approximate): Riverbank Repairs (£9,700); Village Hall (£8,500); Sports Pavilion and Children's Equipment (£7,200); Re-thatching Jubilee Seat, Stocks Lane and Tuck Shop frontage (£3,200); Millennium Celebrations (£3,000); Bird Scrape and Allotment (£2,900); Computer Equipment, Printing of Village News and "Suffolk Memories" books (£2,600); St Andrews Church (£2,500); Pantomime (£2,000); Village Scroll (£2,000) plus many other smaller amounts - e.g. Easter Egg Hunt - and regular amounts e.g. Minibus to Halesworth and Lowestoft.

Gerald Tooley. Chairman WCP Ltd.

#### BRITTEN-PEARS CHAMBER CHOIR

#### WINTER CONCERT

Chase away the February blues with some music. Bach: Singet dem Herrn, Britten: Hymn to St Cecilia, Renaissance motets and romantic English partsongs. Aldeburgh Parish Church, Saturday 15 February at 19:30. Tickets £8. Tel: 01728 687110.

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## **CHURCH MATTERS**

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#### CHURCH SERVICES FOR AUGUST

| Sunday 2nd F                   |     | Candlemas                          | 09:30 Sung Eucharist  |
|--------------------------------|-----|------------------------------------|---|
| Sunday 9th F                   |     | 4th Before Lent                    | 09:30 Family Eucharist  |
| Sunday 16th F<br>Sunday 23rd F | eb. | 3rd Before Lent<br>2nd Before Lent | 18:00 Choral Evensong<br>11:00 Morning Prayer<br>09:30 Sung Eucharist |

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#### FLOWER ARRANGERS

Dione Shirreff, Kathleen Patterson. Royal British Legion; Jean Turnbull

#### LETTER FROM THE OLM

I have decided (an executive decision!) that I have been the new boy for long enough, so I shall now describe myself by my official title i.e. OLM. What on earth does that mean? You might well be thinking of some words, suitable or unsuitable to fit the letters. Since this is not a competition let me put you out of your misery; OLM stands for Ordained Local Minister, and is a form of non-stipendiary ministry. People asked me after I was ordained whether or not I felt any different. To be honest, I did not, although I felt that it was right and proper that I should be ordained seeing it very much as a call from God. The one thing that has been different has been getting used to being called 'reverend', and finding increasing amounts of mail addressed to me as 'Rev' or 'Revd' instead of 'Mr'. Having looked up my dictionary the origins of the title 'Reverend'. I was somewhat taken aback to learn that the word comes from the Latin 'to be revered', not what I would expect to happen to a follower of Jesus Christ. After all Jesus told his followers that they were to be servants, serving one another and all those with whom they came into contact. For that reason my other official title, that of deacon, feels much more comfortable; deacon comes from the Latin word meaning 'servant'. Your servant in Christ's name. Brian Fisher.

#### SHOE BOXES FOR ROMANIAN ORPHANS

I am collecting shoe boxes or backpacks for orphans and sick children aged 8 –16 years living in Romania. Suggested items are: Rulers, pens, crayons, geometry sets, notebooks, colouring books, playing cards, dominoes or other small games, small cars, photo albums, soap, shampoo, hairbrush, hats, gloves. The completed shoe box or back pack should be wrapped up and include a label identifying the age and whether it's for a boy or girl. Please include £2 to cover transport and deliver to me at The Bell Inn by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2003. I will then arrange for it to reach Romania. For any other details please contact me on 723109. **Sue.** *The Bell Inn.* 

#### WI CYCLING IN FRANCE

Ben Cardwell is our speaker for the February meeting on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Feb at 14:30 and visitors will be most welcome to hear our village friend talk about his cycling in France. **Julia Josephs.** 

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#### **COMMON LANDS TRUST**

Report from December meeting of Walberswick Common Lands Trust. A Christmas bonus was paid to current beneficiaries. Donations were made to Southwold & Halesworth Hospitals, The Voluntary Help Centre, The Royal British Legion Welfare Fund. Yoxford Primary School & St. Andrews PCC for churchyard maintenance. Inspections of the Potters Wheel & The Print Room proved satisfactory. Following the death of Mrs Smith a new tenant for the Potters Wheel Restaurant has been approved. Pot holes & ruts on the Common at the end of Church Lane will be filled in with suitable material.

Jayne Tibbles. Clerk to the Trustees.

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## **BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY**

Billed as an insight into BT's forward planning, BVCS members may have been forgiven for expecting that our January speaker, Ian Pearson, BT Exact Technologies' Futurologist, would be talking about the next generation of telecommunications. However, it would be difficult to imagine a more stimulating evening as we learnt about the coming technological explosion in artificial intelligence, telecoms, robotics, biotechnologies, computing and sensory materials. BT's Time Line covers 700 different technologies. The home delivery revolution and global virtual companies are already with us whilst cyber attacks are in their infancy. Active contact lenses and shared virtual environments are not too far in the future and Star Trek's holodeck will become a reality. However, not everything will be beneficial. Indeed, the ever increasing rate of advance threatens to outstrip man's ability to control nanotechnology, artificial intelligence, robotics and genetic manipulation, providing us with a 30% chance of extinction by the end of the Century! Our next meeting will be on Friday, 14th February at 19:00 in the Village Hall Annex. Chris Reed of Messrs Tite and Lewis will speak on the legal complications of doing business in cyberspace. Guests are welcome, no technical knowledge required; for further information ring 01502 723519. Kay Ungless.

## CLIFF FIELD CAR PARK

Due to substantial surface damage, wear and tear, etc. it has been found necessary to close off the bulk of the Cliff Field Car Park. The area near the tank traps will remain open. We regret any inconvenience caused over this temporary closure. **Robin Buncombe.** 

## FITNESS - OR LACK OF IT?

Where have all the enthusiastic participants of a year ago gone? If we do not use the two sessions (9.30 -10.30; 10.30 - 11.30) that Yvonne Proctor leads for a whole body workout we may lose them. So MEN and WOMEN of Walberswick please come along to the Village Hall on a Tuesday morning and share this rewarding experience.

Jenny Cardwell.

## BOTTLES NEEDED FOR CHARITY

D.I.A.L Lowestoft and Waveney, a Disability Advice Service based in Lowestoft, are dependent on fundraising in order to finance their services. Later in the year they hope to hold a bottle stall to raise money. If you have any unwanted, unopened bottles of any sort - from shampoo to alcohol - and you would like to donate them to a worthy cause please contact me on 722923 or call at Coronation Cottage on the Green. Thanks.

Denise Brentnall.

Welfare Rights Advisor, D.I.A.L Lowestoft and Waveney.

## CHORAL EVENSONG

We are very fortunate in our villages to have a full Choral Evensong sung at Blythburgh and Walberswick on the first and second Sundays every month. With the new music and liturgy pointing now to Holy Communion, a full choral evensong is a tradition well worth maintaining, and it would be very sad to lose the psalms (only sung at matins and evensong) with their marvellous poetry and beautiful chants. Please give these services your support. Julia Josephs.

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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

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Since last month's meeting The Environment Agency has informed the Clerk that they are planning to plant marram grass in the area on the beach, in front of the beach huts. This will take place in March or April. They are also planning to put a board walk onto the beach in this area to reduce erosion. (This will restore the beach to how it was in the 1960s). A planning application was received for the erection of a two-storey extension with cellar and balcony to Halsey, Lodge Road. The Council had no objections to this plan. Planning applications were also received for the construction of a new vehicular access at Northdale, The Street. The application was opposed the safety reasons. The Council agreed to propose that money from the car park profits should be requested for: repairs to the village greens, a marguee made available to purchase by a resident, and chippings for the area under the swings. During Matters Raised by Members, Mr K. Webb asked for the pot holes in the Church Lane to be reported to the Highways Department. Mr Buncombe complained about the flooding in the Toby's Barn area. This has been reported to the Highways Department. The full and official minutes will be posted on the Village notice boards. Next meeting will be Monday 3rd February. John Brentnall.

## INTERNET MATTERS

#### WVN WEBSITE

Watchers of the Walberswick Village News website will have noticed that I have stopped putting the Village News online each month. This is due to a lack of spare time on my part. For this reason I am asking for anyone in the village with an indepth knowledge of webpage design and upload, an up to date copy of Microsoft Publisher, an internet connection and lots of spare time to step forward. Please call me on 722835.

Justin Kibble.

#### **BROADBAND INTERNET - YOUR VOTE COUNTS!**

Those of us who use the Internet in Walberswick know that receiving emails and browsing the World Wide Web can be slow and frustrating using a modem. BT have developed a new technology which using existing phone lines, enables users to connect the Internet at speeds some 10 times faster than a standard modem. However, in order to make this service available, an area's telephone exchange must be upgraded. As this process bears a cost, rural areas such as ours with perceived low internet demand come low down on BT's list. You can, however, make a difference! If you use the Internet at home, school or work, whether you would like Broadband or not you can register a desire for our local exchange to be upgraded by visiting http://www.btopenworld.com/broadband/reg10/ and voting. Whilst blistering speeds of surfing and emailing may not be your thing, businesses, schools and homebound web users in this area would benefit if BT decides that there's enough interest in Broadband for the Southwold Exchange to be upgraded. So get online and get voting!

Justin Kibble.

### WHAT'S ON -- FEBRUARY 2003

| GP SURGERY<br>LIBRARY BUS | Wednesdays 14:30. Village Hall Annexe.<br>Alternate Fridays. Church 14:30/Village Hall 15:10<br>7th and 21st. |
|---------------------------|---|
| FITNESS                   | Tuesdays 9:30 -10:30; 10:30 - 11:.30 Village Hall.  |
| 03rd February             | Parish Council Meeting.   |
| 12th February             | WI Cycling in France talk.  |
| 14th February             | Blyth Valley Computer Society Meeting 19:00.  |
|                           | Village Hall.   |
| 15th February             | Britten Pears Chamber Choir Winter Concert<br>Aldeburgh Parish Church 19:30.                                  |
|                           |   |

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#### FUNDRAISING MATTERS

#### SAVE THE CHILDREN AUCTION OF PLEDGES

We require pledges to auction for Save The Children Week 27th April to 03rd May. The focus of the campaign is beating poverty. Please help raise money by offering anything that can be auctioned, e.g. tasks that can be undertaken by the hour – babysitting, dog walking, decorating etc. or any household item for which you have no further use. Please let the committee members have them as soon as possible so we can get them advertised and auctioned. Val Anderson 724609, Faith Blackman 724278, Wynn Rydell 722869, Maureen Thompson 723755. The Car Parks Committee have allowed us to take their collections on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May. **Val Anderson.** 

#### CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Maddy Dabbs will be taking over this month as local secretary from Robin Wardle who is moving from the Village. She will continue to be ably assisted by Pat Wythe. Please contact Maddy if your collection box becomes too full or you have used stamps saved. The annual collection of the boxes will take place in April as usual. New contributors are always very welcome. If you are new to the Village, would you be prepared to have a box?

Robin Wardle. Hon Sec. Tel: 724622 Contact Maddy on 725114

#### CHRISTMAS DAY SWIM

On Christmas morning a few of us wandered down to the beach for our proposed dip in the sea to raise money for Water Aid. We were met by a large crowd of 'observers' and some brave souls ready to enter the chilly water.

Altogether we raised £1,272.00. Special thanks to John Brentnall, Wayne Haslegrave, Joe, Troy, Theo and Kevin Sowerbutts, David and Wally Webb. We would like to acknowledge all those who financially, morally and in some cases physically helped us by going into the water themselves. The oldest swimmer was in his eighties and the youngest 11 years old. The best part was the welcoming mulled wine kindly produced by Harry and Anne Potter, helped by Pat and Tony Lancaster. Thank you everyone!

Water Aid uses practical solutions to provide safe water to the world's poorest people. So that the health benefits are maximised, it does this through projects that integrate domestic water provision, sanitation and hygiene promotion. www.wateraid.org.uk Sarah Lawrence.

#### SECONDS OUT, ROUND TWO!

The second annual discussion/debate will be held on Friday 21st March 19:00 in the Village Hall. The subject will be: 'Where is the Health Service Going?' and the speaker will be Professor Sam Leinster of the University of East Anglia. Professor Leinster is the Dean of the School of Medicine and we are very honoured indeed to have someone who is so distinguished to guide us in our discussion. All members of the village are invited. Admission is free and we will end with a glass of wine and snacks.

The aim of these evenings, which are organised by the Conservative Branch, is to examine important national problems, to which there is no obvious agreed solution, from a completely non-political standpoint. We may think that we know what should be done but, if we are honest, what we really know are our prejudices! So do come along and take part. Remember : What Walberswick thinks today the rest of the country will be thinking tomorrow!

Peter Gordon-Potts.

### SOUTHWOLD HOSPITAL CENTENARY

This year is the centenary of Southwold Hospital. To start the celebrations, why not join the League of Friends at a coffee morning on Tuesday 11th March at St Edmund's Hall, Southwold, 10:30 to 12:00. cake stall, raffle, books, etc.

Mary King.

## SPRING CLEANING THE CHURCH

We are planning to spring-clean the church on Monday 24th March starting at 09:00. Anyone who would like to help for an hour or two will be welcome to join some of the regular cleaners.

Wendy Sinclair.

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## **CHURCH MATTERS**

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## CHURCH SERVICES FOR MARCH

| Sunday<br>Wed.<br>Sunday | 5th  | Mar. | Sunday before Lent<br>Ash Wednesday<br>1st Sunday of Lent |
|--------------------------|------|------|---|
| Sunday<br>Sunday         | 23rd | Mar. | 2nd Sunday of Lent<br>3rd Sunday of Lent                  |

**Sunday 30th Mar.** Mothering Sunday 09:30 Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10:00 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17:00

Sunday School - (Village Hall) 2nd, 16th, 23rd 1000 to 1215

#### FLOWER ARRANGERS

No flowers in Lent.

#### CHURCH CLEANERS

- 7th Mrs Leighton Mr & Mrs Sinclair.
- 14th Miss Simpson, Mrs Dawson, Mrs Jackson.
- 21st Mrs Wythe, Mrs Minney, Mrs King.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Mrs Ford-Crush, Mrs Jones, Mrs Leighton.

## LETTER FROM THE OLM

09:30 Sung Eucharist 10:00 Eucharist & Ashing 09:30 Family Eucharist 18:00 Choral Evensong 11:00 Morning Prayer 09:30 Sung Eucharist 09:30 Family Eucharist

9.30 Family Eucharist

## ADVANCE NOTICE

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Tuesday 8th April at 19:30 in the church. All are welcome, refreshments will follow. We hope to make this a social occasion where you can meet our team vicar, Graham Owen without the usual pressures of time.



### ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

| TEAM RECTOR          |        |
|----------------------|--------|
| Revd Jane Wilson     | 722397 |
| TEAM VICAR           |        |
| Revd Graham Owen     | 578827 |
| <b>CHURCHWARDENS</b> |        |
| lan Bruce-Jones      | 724020 |
| Christine Fisher     | 723023 |
| ORDAINED LOCAL MIN   | IISTER |
| Revd Brian Fisher    | 723023 |

Ash Wednesday, 5th March, will see the commencement of one of the more significant periods of the Church year; on that day we begin the Lenten season for 2003. The word 'Lenten' is derived from the Middle English word for 'spring' and is rooted in a practice that goes back to the earliest days (c. AD 200) of the Christian Church, when for several weeks candidates for baptism received intensive instruction in the Christian faith, culminating in a strict fast on the Friday and Saturday before Easter. The period of Lent has always been seen as an imitation of the forty days that Jesus Christ spent in the wilderness. In the Sole Bay Team we shall be endeavouring to provide opportunities, for those who wish to do so, to deepen their spiritual lives. On Sunday evenings, commencing 9th March, a series of lectures will be taking place at St Edmund's Church, Southwold, on the theme of suffering – amongst those giving the talks will be Andrew Eastaugh and Bernard Segrave-Daly. Here in Walberswick, probably on Thursday evenings, we shall be holding a series of five study groups on the theme of 'New World, Old Faith'. Another regular event for Walberswick is the Lent Austerity Lunches, on six Fridays commencing 7th March. Confirmation of all these events (to which all are welcome), with more detail, will be on notices around the village nearer the time.

#### Brian Fisher.

#### WI IMPRESSIONS OF CHINA

Mr C J Parfitt is our speaker on 12th March and he will be giving us some of his impressions of China. We welcomed many visitors to hear Ben Cardwell in February. He began his talk on 'Cycling in France' with some entertaining facts and figures about the early years of lady cyclists. Then he demonstrated much of the equipment he takes with him on his tours and ended with some beautiful slides of the Auvergne. We celebrated Pauline Payne's special birthday with the most delicious cake. **Julia Josephs.** 

#### AUSTERITY LUNCHES

Austerity lunches will be held on Fridays in the Village Hall during Lent from 12:30 to 13:30. Profits go to "Break" – respite care for the handicapped. Rota below: March 7th Mrs Leighton/Miss Simpson March 14th Mrs Sinclair/Mrs Wythe March 21st Mrs Bassett/Mrs King March 28th Mrs Bassett/Mrs Gordon-Potts April 4th Mrs Longyear/Mrs Jackson April 11th WI Everybody is most welcome. Wendy Sinclair.

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#### WALBERSWICK LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

The local history group AGM will be held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March 19:30 in the Village Hall Annexe, please give your support and join us afterwards for wine and nibbles. Subscriptions will be collected during the evening. On May 26<sup>th</sup> there will be an exhibition of photographs and press items on the 'Floods of 1953 in East Anglia'; in addition there will be a video, shown at intervals throughout the day illustrating the tragic event. The Exhibition will be held in the Village Hall commencing at 10:00 until approximately 16:30. The group Autumn lecture will be given by Mike McKeon on 'Mail Coaches in East Anglia', date 6<sup>th</sup> October starting at 19:30 in the Village Hall. The final event of the group year will be our Christmas Celebration; the date to put in your diary is 13<sup>th</sup> December, starting at 19:30 in the Village Hall. We urgently need an assistant editor to our newsletter (two issues p.a.); if interested please contact me on 724142.

Pat Wythe.

#### THE PROFESSOR RETURNS

Professor Ludmilla Selezneva will be giving her second Public Lecture in Walberswick Village Hall on Saturday 15th March at 19:30. More than 100 people came to hear her last year and nearly every one asked me if she could return during her 2003 UK tour. Her subject this year is Gorbachev and his contribution to Russian History. She is currently writing an authorised book about him and has access to him personally as well as to his papers. Ludmilla has just returned from a tour of US universities and begins her UK tour in mid February. As you know, if you heard her last year, her lectures are academically rich but also vibrant and amusing. After your kindness to her students last year, Ludmilla has a very great affection for Walberswick and is looking forward to seeing you all again. Tickets are £5.00 including a welcoming drink and are selling fast. Please contact me on 725033. Annie Kiff-Wood.

#### THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DOG OWNERSHIP

During the past few months there has been an unwelcome and disturbing increase in the presence of dog faeces on The Greens. In the interests of good order and the health of children surely it is not too much to expect that dogs should be kept under close control, i.e. on the lead, in the area of The Greens. The removal of the Dog Bin from The Green has undoubtedly acted as a deterrent to otherwise responsible dog owners from removing the mess made by their dogs. On a number of occasions I have suggested to Parish Council members that a Dog Bin should be located in the general area of the public toilets but to no avail. Before the anti-dog lobbyists have their not infrequent say on the subject, may I urge the Parish Council urgently to take action in this matter. It should be remembered that it is the owners not the dogs who are, as often is the case, blameworthy.

**Don Thompson.** *Dog lover and owner of three.* Greenways, The Green.

#### IT'S YOUR BUS SERVICE - USE IT OR LOSE IT!

The Goldline Bus service to Beccles travels Tuesday and Friday (Beccles market day).

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I see the bus go by every Tuesday with hardly anybody on and it is likely to be cancelled if we do not use it. (I don't have any shares in Goldline!) **Jenny Cardwell.** 

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| MALBERSWICK VILLAG   |  |  |
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| WILDLIFE PONDS<br>Wildlife Ponds, conservation   | PAID ADVERTISEMENT   |  |
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| WINDING 07765 834072   | PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS   |  |
| BUILDER<br>Seascape, The Green   | FEBRUARY'S MEETING   |  |
| Walberswick<br>01502 722543  | The Council received a planning application for Lilliput, Lodge Road; alterations included raising the roof height to provide a third storey and extensions. The   |  |
| ARTHUR J DAVEY<br>COAL MERCHANT<br>01728-668318 YOXFORD<br>SUFFOLK<br>Regular deliveries to Walberswick,<br>Wenhaston,Bramfield, Thorington,<br>Blythburgh   | application was strongly opposed; it was felt building would be out of character with<br>the rest of the houses in the area, and spoil the view from the marshes to the south<br>side. Planning permission has been granted to The Hidden House, The Green.<br>Although an amendment had been made to the plans, the council felt that the<br>extension was still out of character with the original building. A letter of protest has<br>been sent to the planning department. Further works are planned on the board<br>walks through the marshes near the Spong bridge (footpath 11), it will be levelled,<br>the vegetation cleared and netting fixed to the boards to make it safe. The board |  |
| SOUTHWOLD VOLUNTARY<br>HELP CENTRE<br>Shopping Befriending<br>Transport Errands<br>Can we help you or can you<br>help us ?<br>Contact: Mrs P Scott   | RY walk through the marshes on footpath 19 was found to be at variance with the lin<br>on the Definitive Map and will therefore be investigated to find out if the opening<br>the route on the definitive line would be practical. It is also planned to replace the<br>sub-standard bridge and a small section of board walk on footpath 21.  |  |
| 01502 724549 24 Hour<br>Answerphone  | <u>CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG</u><br>It has come to the council's attention that there is an increased amount of dog muck<br>around the village. Please take care to clean up after your dog.   |  |
| BARRY HAWES<br>FRIDGE & FREEZER<br>REPAIRS ANY MAKE.<br>ALSO: De-humidifiers Air   | <u>COME AND CLEAN THE BEACH</u><br>There will be a beach clean from 10:00 on Sunday 2nd March . Bags and gloves<br>will be provided at Cliff Field Car Park.   |  |
| Conditioners.<br>ALL WORK GUARANTEED<br>01502-677487   | FIREWORKS<br>The Council has received a complaint about the number of unauthorised displays of<br>fireworks in the Village. In the interests of safety, please inform the Council and the<br>Coastguard if you are planning a fireworks display.   |  |
| THE MORTON<br>PARTNERSHIP  | WHAT'S ON – MARCH 2003   |  |
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## VILLAGE PANTO PART II

#### NSPCC SPONSORED WALK

FUNDRAISING MATTERS

To be held during the morning of Sunday 11th May. Three walks of different routes and distances to suit everyone. Starting and finishing at The Anchor Inn, Walberswick. More details in the May issue. Sponsorship forms will be available from Tina Harris at The Anchor Inn Telephone 722112. Let's keep fit whilst continuing to raise money to end cruelty to children. Further details can be obtained from John Simpson at Ferry House. Tel. 723384 **Cathryn Simpson** 

#### SAVE THE CHILDREN

Auction of pledges by sealed bids. We now have a number of pledges:

Lunch for two at The Lighthouse, Aldeburgh. Brunch for four at Hedgeley. Afternoon tea for six on the terrace at Ferry House. Discussion evening for six to eight people on world religions. Dinner for two at The Beck.

A day at the auction and a pub lunch. Two vegetarian meals for four.

3 Sponge cakes.

A Number of Lladro Pottery Figures (Can be viewed at Hedgeley)

Other offers include: Baby sitting, car washing, dog walking, horse grooming and four baskets of ironing.

A full list will be posted in the Tuck Shop and two noticeboards, which will be updated weekly. We will accept your written bids anytime; the deadline is Saturday 03<sup>rd</sup> May 16:00.

Pledges and bids to:

Val Anderson 724609 (Hedgeley) Faith Blackman 724278 Wynn Rydell 722869 Maureen Thompson 723255

#### Val Anderson.

#### WALBERSWICK CAR PARKS Ltd

The takings of WCPL on Sunday 4th May will not be given to charity as previously indicated as it would clearly not be within the terms of the covenant that we have with the Common Lands Charity Trust. When permission is given by the Board of Directors for a charity collection on the car parks it is always with certain conditions including the fact that collectors and collecting boxes are provided by the charity concerned. **Gerald Tooley.** *Chairman, WCPL*.

#### THANKS

We would like to thank all our friends in the village for their good wishes, and to thank you, too, for the love and friendship that you showed us whilst we lived here. **Robin and Annie Wardle.** 

#### THIS TIME IT'S PERSONAL

There has been talk in the village of another panto for February 2004. Some survivors of the last one have had a meeting and, amazingly, are prepared to try again - **IF** we can get enough support. Would you be prepared to take on any of the following vital roles?

- Stage Manager/Director's Assistant. Mark Aldridge will direct again but he needs someone to help him during rehearsals.
- Financial controller.
- Script.
- Publicity.
- Props.
- Stage Design and Scenery.
- Front of House.

Of course, there will be loads of helpers later on but we need committed volunteers *now* to get the show on the road. Commitment is more important than experience. It'll be hard work but it is good fun. If it all comes together we will be auditioning for a cast and recruiting backstage and front-ofhouse helpers in late summer. Oh yes we will! We need to have a first planning meeting soon so please make contact by 5th April.

#### Piers Ford-Crush.

Mill Cottage The Street Tel. 722255 email: piers@ford-crush.fsnet.co.uk

#### **KEEP FIT!**

We now only have one class on a Tuesday morning from 09:30 - 10:30. The last session before Easter is on 8th April. The summer sessions begin on 29th April and go on until 15th July apart from the Whitsun break on 27th May. Everybody is welcome. Jenny Cardwell.

NINE ELEVEN Apologies to Abou Ben Adhem and James Hunt.

Osama Bin Laden (may his tribe decrease) Awoke one morning and shattered peace. And saw in the shadows of his room A devil writing in a Book of Doom. Doom for the world? Or doom for Osama? Follow the News and Panorama. **RB.** 

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## CHURCH MATTERS

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#### **CHURCH SERVICES FOR APRIL**

| Sunday | 6th  | Apr. | 5th Sunday of Lent |
|--------|------|------|--------------------|
| Sunday | 13th | Apr. | Palm Sunday        |
| Friday | 18th | Apr. | Good Friday        |
| Sunday | 20th | Apr. | Easter Sunday      |
|        |      |      |                    |

09:30 Sung Eucharist 09:30 Sung Eucharist 14:00 One hour Meditation 06:00 Easter Vigil on beach 09:30 Family Eucharist 18:00 Choral Evensong

Sunday 27th Apr. 2nd Sunday of Easter 11:00 Morning Prayer Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10:00 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17:00 Sunday School - (Village Hall) April 6th 1000 to 1215 last of Spring Term Summer term begins May 4th.

FLOWER ARRANGERS No flowers 5th/12th Easter 19th/26th CHURCH CLEANERS 4th Mrs Bassett, Mr and Mrs Patterson 11th Mrs Minney, Mrs Dawson, Mrs Waller 19th (Saturday) Mrs Jones, Mr and Mrs Sinclair 25th Mrs Jackson, Miss Simpson, Mrs Wythe

#### LETTER FROM THE OLM

Sadly, the last two weeks have seen the death of two men, Richard Connick and Roderick Winyard, who had strong links with St Andrew's Church. I had only got to know Richard since I moved to the village in 1996, whereas I had first met Roderick in Lowestoft Magistrates' Court in 1981 (we were both on the right side of the Law!). We shall continue to uphold in prayer their families and friends, as well as the relatives and friends of others from the village who have died recently. For more than one reason, the month of April will be a time of new beginnings. On 5th April, at 15:00, Paul Gerrell (our local postie) and Rosie Rayner will be married at St Andrew's Church - I am sure that we will all want to wish them God's blessing as they begin their married life together. At long last I am able to let you have some definite news about the proposed monthly luncheon club, which I mentioned in the December copy of the Village News. All being well the first lunch will take place in the Village Hall on Friday, 9th May, starting at 12.30, the cost will be £5. Everyone, whatever your age, will be welcome. If anyone is interested in helping, be it on the catering side or helping with transport, would you please contact me on 723023. So why else could April be described this year as a time of new beginnings? For the simple reason that on Easter Day Christians all over the world will be celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the man who died and lived for our salvation and for our justification. Why not come and celebrate with us on Easter Sunday, either on the beach or in St Andrew's? Yours in the risen Christ,

Brian Fisher.

#### JOHN PHILBIN

My family and I have been very touched by the concern shown to me since John's sudden death. I thank everyone for their kind letters, flowers and offers of help and all of those who went searching for him when he was missing. Betty Philbin.

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#### PARISH REGISTER

22<sup>nd</sup> February 2003 Interment of ashes Audrey Margaret Muddell (wife of Norman Briggs) of Singleton Ashford Kent aged 73 years 7<sup>th</sup> March 2003 Funeral service and burial Richard Stanley Connick Aged 94 years

#### WI - AMISH QUILTS

Mrs Moss's talk about the Amish and their quilts on 9<sup>th</sup> April should prove most fascinating. An excellent lecturer, Mr Parfitt's talk, with slides, on his impressions of China, proved both interesting and educational. Margot has the tickets ready for the Bridge Drive at 14:00 on 13<sup>th</sup> May so be sure to book a table for this fund raising event. We shall play progressive Chicago and a delicious tea will be served before the final round and prizegiving. **Julia Josephs**.

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## MUSIC AT BLYTHBURGH

Many thanks to those who came to the fund-raising concerts last year. We raised over £800 for the church. This year's series kicks off with a saxophone quartet from Trinity College in a mainly classical programme with a bit of Jazz thrown in. Regulars will recognise several members of last year's quartet. This first concert is on Saturday April 19<sup>th</sup> at 19:30. Tickets £5 at the door, or from me on 722022 **Patsy Murray.** 

## WALBERSWICK COMMON LANDS TRUST

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#### REPORT FROM FEBRUARY AND MARCH MEETINGS

Mr Nigel Hunt was unanimously elected as chairman for a further year. Mr David Webb will join the Trust as a new nominative Trustee in place of Rev.Canon John Matthews who after many years of valued service has retired due to ill health. Work in the fen area on The Common will continue as conditions allow. Some small trees are being removed from an area of The Common along Palmers Lane. A letter of apology regarding the problems caused by building materials & skip storage on land at the top of Sandy Lane has been received from the Contractor with an undertaking that it will not happen again. A new lease for The Print Room is being negotiated with the current tenants. Grants were allocated from the 2002 car park covenant to: The Royal British Legion for the War Memorial Project (£2350)' to the Village Hall for further refurbishment (£3150), to the Parish Council for repairs to the Village Green (£1550) & for chippings to the play area (£300). Also set aside £2770 for the weekly minibus service, £200 for the annual Easter Egg Hunt, £2000 to the Village Hall as an annual subsidy to keep rental fees low, £500 to the Travel & Education fund, £3500 to the Trust for relief of need & £380 to purchase a marquee. The remaining £6782 was put into the Environment Trust Fund set up last year. The marguee can be hired by village residents; please contact the Village Hall Bookings Manager.

Jayne Tibbles. Clerk to the Trustees.

## **BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY**

To quote our Chairman in his vote of thanks after our February meeting, we were treated to yet another fascinating evening when Professor Chris Reed of Queen Mary College, London, and consultant to the City firm of lawyers, Tite and Lewis, explained the difficulties of business law for the real world. With e-commerce reaching every point of the compass, and every state having jurisdiction to regulate, a business is subjecting itself to the laws of any country which happens to look at its website. How can we get the law right for doing business in cyberspace? Chris Reed referred to the problems in advertising as being a nightmare, particularly for banking and financial services. Countries take completely opposing views when it comes to unlawful transactions such as gambling and regulated products. Similarly, limits are different in every country where unlawful information is concerned such as with obscene material and prohibited speech. Perhaps the biggest problem of all is how a consumer or business can tell with whom they are dealing. Chris Reed pointed out it could be a dog for all they know! We cannot see evidence that someone exists nor can we see a signature. However, a system for electronic signatures is well advanced in its development using public and private keys. Our next meeting will be on Friday, 11th April, at 7.00pm in the Village Hall Annexe. Local artist Mona Thomson will talk about the use of computers in creating her unique and beautiful artworks. Guests are welcome, no technical knowledge required and for further information ring 01502 722255. Kay Ungless.

## DAVID SHIRREFF BIRD SONG WALK

This year's Walk will take place on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2003. It will be led, as last year, by Tony Lancaster. Please meet as usual at 5.30 am in the Hoist Wood Car Park. (Contributions will again be shared equally between Walberswick Church and the Dingle Marshes Project). **Tony Lancaster.** 

## **BEACH CLEAN**

Thanks to everybody who turned out for the beach clean on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. There was an excellent attendance and the beach looked wonderful afterwards. The downside was that there was more rubbish collected than ever before! **Alvin Hunt.** *Chairman of the Parish Council.* 

#### PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

#### DOG BINS IN THE VILLAGE

With reference to the letter in the last issue of the Village News regarding the siting of the dog bin at the Village Hall, the subject was discussed at the recent meeting of the Parish Council and, in fact, none of the councillors had been approached. However, we were approached last summer by several local residents, asking for the bin which was located on the north side of the Green near the post box to be removed. The reason for this request was to stop the dumping of general litter next to the bin, resulting in an unsightly and rancid mound of rubbish. This was duly carried out by the Council. The whole question of dog bins will be on the agenda for the next meeting of the Parish Council. Meetings are always open to members of the public so if anyone is interested and would like to attend, their views on this or any other item will, as always, be heard by the Council.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING The meeting takes place on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> April at 19:30 in the Village Hall. This is your chance to come and hear what the Parish Council has been involved in on your behalf during the year and to put questions to the Council. There will also be short reports from the Police, your County and District Councillor, the Common Lands Trust and other organizations who make such valuable contributions to our village life.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS The elections take place on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May. If you wish to stand for the Parish Council, nomination papers must be delivered to SCDC at Melton Hill, Woodbridge by noon on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April. Nomination papers can be obtained from Robin Buncombe at Belle Vue or from the Returning Officer at the Council Offices at Woodbridge.

#### Alvin Hunt. Chairman of the Parish Council.

#### OUR MARCH MEETING

The meeting in March was attended by Inspector Moore and PC Upson, and a considerable amount of time was spent discussing the problem of traffic in the height of the season. Inspector Moore stated that he was not prepared to use some of his reserves to train a traffic warden to be deployed in the village, even though the village had offered to finance a large proportion of the cost. He considered that this was not the correct route for solving the problem. Inspector Moore suggested extra car parks, different ways of charging and a Park and Ride scheme. The Chairman pointed out that all these suggestions had been discussed many times previously and were not viable. The Chairman stated that the Parish Council was very disappointed to learn of Inspector Moore's intention to drop the idea of a traffic warden, as his predecessor had led the council to believe that this was a real possibility for the coming season. Inspector Moore stated that he would ensure that there would be more cover in the village, as we now had PC

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| SOUTHWOLD VOLUNTARY<br>HELP CENTRE<br>Shopping Befriending  | John Brentnall.<br>WHAT'S ON – APRIL 2003  |   |  |
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| BARRY HAWES<br>FRIDGE & FREEZER<br>REPAIRS ANY MAKE.<br>ALSO: De-humidifiers Air<br>Conditioners.<br>ALL WORK GUARANTEED<br>01502-677487  | 09th April<br>11th April<br>19th April<br>24th April<br>01st May<br>03rd May<br>03rd May<br>11th May<br>13th May | <ul> <li>WI Talk - Mrs Moss, 'The Amish and their quilts'</li> <li>Blyth Valley Computer Society Meeting. 19:00 Village Hall Annexe.</li> <li>Music at Blythburgh Church - Saxophone quartet, 19:30.</li> <li>Annual parish meeting. 19:30 in the Village Hall.</li> <li>Parish Council elections.</li> <li>David Shirreff Birdsong Walk. 05:30 (am!)</li> <li>Deadline for Save the Children auction of pledges sealed bids.</li> <li>NSPCC Sponsored Walk.</li> <li>Wi Bridge drive - 14:00 (Progressive Chicago!)</li> </ul> |  |

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#### **GOOD NEWS!**

#### A WALBERSWICK BOY

Sam and Caroline would like to announce the arrival of their son William Downing Quentin-Farmer. Born Monday 07th April at 04:39 weighing in at 10lbs 4oz.

#### FUNDRAISING MATTERS

#### THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone who filled a shoe box for Romania.

Sue & Paul. The Bell

#### FAIR TRADE DAY

There will be a Fair Trade day at Greengates on Friday 16th May from 10.00 till 18.00. Fairly traded goods, principally from "Traidcraft", will be on sale, together with the opportunity to sample their delicious tea, coffee and cookies. This day falls within Christian Aid Week and immediately prior to World Fair Trade Day. Please bring your friends, and spread the word about Fair Trade. Christine Fisher.

#### STRIDE OUT WITH THE NSPCC

The sponsored walk on Sunday 11th May is drawing closer. Starting and ending at the Anchor Inn at Walberswick, there are three distances to choose from aimed for all ages and levels of fitness and ability: one of just 2 miles down to the river, along the river bank and back to the village: one of 3.5 miles along the river bank and over to Southwold returning via the Pier and promenade to Ferry Road along Blackshore and across the bridge once more to Walberswick and the longer walk of 7.5 miles to Dunwich along the beach or marsh returning though Dunwich forest and the reed beds. Participants can even choose when to set off with three different start times - 09:30, 10.30, and 11.30. Entry into the walk is free but participants are asked to raise sponsorship to help fund the NSPCC's vital work. Individual, family and team entry are welcome and the first 30 people to set off will receive a NSPCC T-shirt. To get your sponsorship forms call in at the Anchor Inn Walberswick or contact Tina Harris at the Anchor on 01502 722112. For those who are unable to take part in the walk but would like to support the NSPCC do please sponsor a walker or make a donation to the Society which would be gratefully received. Cathryn Simpson.

Ferry House

Further details regarding this Press Release can be obtained from: John Simpson, Chairman North Suffolk Branch NSPCC at Ferry House, Walberswick, Southwold, Suffolk, IP18 6TH . Tel: 723384. Email: ferryhouse.walberswick@virgin.net

#### **OLIVER'S WISH**

As most of you know our grandson Oliver has for the past year been undergoing radiotherapy and chemotherapy. The Make A Wish Foundation grants wishes to sick children, Oliver has a great love of trains & his wish was to drive one. A specially made Engineer's uniform was provided and on 5<sup>th</sup> April a limousine picked the family up and took them to Union Station, Chicago. A special railway coach was added onto the train for friends and family to join him on the 45 minute journey. Oliver accompanied by the Engineer travelled in the engine & drove the train to Downers Grove. On arrival the Mayor and Oliver's classmates from school greeted him, a party with gifts and an enormous cake was held at the station. Although tired at the end of the day Oliver had a great time. We thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers for Oliver over the past year. He is still under going treatment so please don't stop. Jayne & Brian Tibbles.

#### **HORTICULTURAL SHOW 2003**

#### SATURDAY 26th JULY - VILLAGE HALL

Another year, another show, and another opportunity to enjoy seeing the finest of flowers and flower arrangements, fruits and vegetables from our own gardens here in Walberswick, not forgetting the many varied culinary entries from the kitchen. Note the date now! For those wishing to place their entries for the show, be sure to retain the 'Schedule of Events' which will be in the next issue of the Village News (June). The more entries the bigger and brighter the show. All entries and visitors free! An event not to be missed. **Vic Rowland.** *Tel: 722262* 

#### FRIENDS REUNITED

Does anyone know the whereabouts of Timothy Smith, the son of the rector in the 70's? I was at school with Tim and am interested in getting in touch.Thanks if anyone can help.

John Clark. Tel: 914 967 6575 (USA) Email - john.r.clark@eurorscg.com

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### CHURCH MATTERS

### CHURCH SERVICES FOR MAY

09:30 Sung Eucharist 3rd Sunday of Easter Sunday 4th May. Sunday 11th May. 4th Sunday of Easter 09:30 Family Eucharist 18:00 Choral Evensong Sunday 18th May. 5th Sunday of Easter 11:00 Morning Praver Sunday 25th May. 09:30 Sung Eucharist **Rogation Sunday** Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10:00 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17:00 Sunday School - (Village Hall) Summer term begins May 4th. FLOWER ARRANGERS (3rd & 10th Leighton Wedding) Sue Walpole, Judy Morton, Chrissie Reeves. British Legion Anne Paton. CHURCH CLEANERS <sup>1</sup> Craster & Kathleen Patterson Pru Ford-Crush, 9<sup>th</sup> Elizabeth Leighton Mary King Ruth Bassett, 16th Jean Waller Mary Minney Cynthia Jackson, 23rd Chris & Wendy Sinclair Diane Dawson, 30th Betty Jones Piers Ford-Crush Janet Simpson.

#### LETTER FROM THE OLM

Some of you have expressed puzzlement about the structure of the Sole Bay Team and just how it relates to our church here in Walberswick. I will endeavour to demystify you! Jane Wilson as the team rector holds overall responsibility for the team, and is based at Southwold. In addition to Jane there are two other stipendiary (means they get paid!) clergy, Leonard Payne based at Wrentham, and Graham Owen based at Wangford. Graham now has Walberswick as part of his pastoral responsibility so he is officially Walberswick's team vicar. On 29th July the team will once more be up to full strength when Simon Ward, who is to be based at Reydon, will be joining us. James Saunders, whom many of you have met, is attached to the team as curate (i.e. this is a training post for him and, yes, he is paid!). I am the solitary Ordained Local Minister (unpaid) of the team, with the greater part of my ministry here in the village. There are also three lay readers i.e. Margaret Dinn, Barbara Lodder, and David Alderton. It is probable that each member of the team will take services at St Andrew's from time to time, in the same way that I am already taking services elsewhere in the team. Christian Aid Week 2003 runs from 11th to 17th May this year; following on from last year's successful effort, we shall again be arranging a house-to-house collection. Christian Aid was founded in 1945 by churches in Britain to provide for the needs of refugees in Europe following the Second World War. Today it is the official relief and development agency of 40 churches representing most denominations in the UK and Ireland, working in around 60 countries, helping people regardless of their religion. We have another wedding to look forward to on 3rd May, that of Rachel Leighton and Stuart Parker. One final thing, please do not forget our first luncheon club on Friday, 9th May, at 12.30, in the Village Hall. Brian Fisher.



#### **ST ANDREW'S CHURCH**

| TEAM RECTOR              |        |
|--------------------------|--------|
| <b>Revd Jane Wilson</b>  | 722397 |
| TEAM VICAR               |        |
| Revd Graham Owen         | 578827 |
| <b>CHURCHWARDENS</b>     |        |
| Christine Fisher         | 723023 |
| ORDAINED LOCAL MI        | NISTER |
| <b>Revd Brian Fisher</b> | 723023 |

#### PARISH REGISTER

21<sup>st</sup> March 2003 Interment Alfred John Philbin aged 88years.

24<sup>th</sup> March 2003 Funeral service and burial Roderick John Winyard Aged 63 years.

5<sup>th</sup> April 2003 Holy Matrimony Paul James Gerrell with Rosemary Elzabeth Rayner

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#### **BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY**

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Supported by Government funding, Leiston Computer Centre already has over 500 people receiving free training to City and Guilds standard. Our March speaker, Patrick Toal, Director of Business Development at Otley College, treated us to another stimulating evening when he spoke to us about the history, mission and vision behind this free computer training offered to us all by his College. Founded as Suffolk's Institute of Agriculture in the mid-70s, by the mid-80s they realised they could better serve the rural communities of South Norfolk, Suffolk and North Essex by enabling confidence and the more effective use of computing. Through their partnership with TEKTRA, a nationwide private company, they now have around 1000 full time students and 7000 part time. Their mission is to sustain, nurture and support the viability of the rural community, to provide learning and opportunities for all ages, and to adapt with the times. Their vision is to be the well-spring of wealth in our county's traditional, but now computerised food production. A fair proportion of their students have no formal qualifications, and through their offer of free tuition, they hope to enable more people to gain a higher level of skills, for instance the tractor drivers they used to train may become the new environment conservation managers. The good experience and satisfaction gained by their students' achievements will spread to a more confident workforce serving our county. Our annual outing will be on Friday, 9th May when we shall visit Bletchley Park. Guests are welcome to our meetings, no technical knowledge required, and for further information ring 01502 722255. Kay Ungless.

#### VELLORE ANNUAL BAZAAR

The Annual Bazaar in aid of Vellore Hospital, South India and London City Mission, will be held in Walberswick Village Hall on Saturday 17th May from 12:30 to 15:30. Entrance free. Teas and light lunches served. Cakes, China and Glass, Clothes, Gifts, Books, Plants and Bric-a-brac Stalls. Raffles and competitions. Wendy Sinclair. Hon Sec

#### WI RESOLUTIONS & THE ISLE OF MAN

We have a busy afternoon at our May meeting on Wednesday 14th May. After discussing this year's resolutions, Vivien Finnie recalls her many happy memories spent in the Isle of Man with lots of photographs. Tuesday 13th May is the Bridge Drive in aid of our funds. We start promptly in the Village Hall at 2 o'clock with an exciting afternoon of progressive Chicago bridge followed by tea and prize giving. Mrs Moss's talk last month about the Amish people who live in Pennsylvania USA was most interesting and we marvelled at the quilts she had made copying their style.

Julia Josephs.

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#### **ROYAL BRITISH LEGION NOTICES**

#### THE WALBERSWICK LECTURE

The Annual Lecture and Buffet Supper with wine will be held in the Village Hall on Friday 9th May starting at 19.30. We are pleased that Air Chief Marshal Sir Andrew Wilson KCB CB AFC originally agreed to talk on "Desert Shield" the Build-up to the Gulf War Aug-Nov 1990, but the content may change because of the new crisis in the Middle East. Whatever he has to say will be of interest. Tickets will be on sale at the Tuck Shop and Blythburgh Post Office from Friday 25th April. Remember that the Hall has a limited seating capacity so please buy your tickets early. Other Dates in 2003 The Annual Visit, hopefully to RAF Marham on Friday 27th June (but depending on the progress of the war in Iraq. Visits to any military establishment in East Anglia at this time will be in doubt); The Poppy Appeal Bazaar & Coffee Morning on Saturday 8th November; the Service of Remembrance at Walberswick on Sunday 9th November, and the AGM on Monday 17th or 24th November. **Alan Walpole.** *Tel: 724763* 

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|  | PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS   |  |  |  |
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| WALLY WEBB<br>BUILDER<br>Seascape, The Green<br>Walberswick<br>01502 722543  | PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS         THE POLICE WILL BE IN THE VILLAGE         The Mobile Policing unit will be in the village on Tuesday 27th May outside the village hall. There are many interesting facets to the unit. If it is not used it will be withdrawn.         The Parish Council         OUR MARCH MEETING         The Environment and Transport Department has written to inform the council that it has completed all work on the boardwalks, and the Old Town Marshes were in good order for the coming season. However, they wish to remove the stile by the old wind pump as they considered it to be an unnecessary obstacle. Mr D Webb pointed out that stiles are a traditional feature of the countryside and we should try to preserve traditional features, also the stile acted as a deterrent to cyclists. A revised plan has been received for a three storey extension to Lilliput Lodge Road.         The Parish Council considered that this was a greatly improved scheme, but expressed some concern about the effect that the raising of the roof will have on the appearance of the surrounding area. PC Upson reported that a fire in the reeds may have been arson. The Parish Council has received a grant from the car park profits for the refurbishment of the village green, and for chippings for the play area under the swings. The Chairman informed the Council that there would not have to be an election because seven nominations had been put forward for seven places. I am standing down and Maddy Dabbs is taking my place. |  |  |  |
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| BARRY HAWES<br>FRIDGE & FREEZER<br>REPAIRS ANY MAKE.<br>ALSO: De-humidifiers Air<br>Conditioners.<br>ALL WORK GUARANTEED<br>01502-677487   | I've just found your newspaper while looking for any information about Walberswick.<br>My ancestors had links with Walberswick and the area. Joseph Bullen was baptised<br>there in 1789, and married Rebecca Cooper, about whom I know nothing except<br>that the marriage was in Walberswick on 14 December 1813. She died in 1832 in<br>Westleton. Their first children were baptised in Walberswick : George Bullen in<br>1815 and Mary in 1816. They then had one child born in Wenhaston, 3 born in<br>Westleton and 3 in Yoxford, though the last was then buried in Westleton. I<br>presume they must have been farm labourers and that is why they moved regularly<br>in a small area. Could anyone tell me what farms were in existence in the period-<br>1810-1840? Are Bullen or Cooper common names in the area? I'd be grateful for<br>information about the area in the early 19th century.   |  |  |  |
| FISHER'S GARAGE<br>WALBERSWICK   | Shane Abdelnour. Cairo<br>shane43nour@yahoo.co.uk<br>WHAT'S ON – MAY 2003  |  |  |  |
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## THANK YOU WALBERSWICK!

On behalf of my family, I would like to thank you all for the help, support and good wishes we have received following Roderick's death. The cards and letters were a wonderful reminder of the amazing community we are a part of and I found these a great comfort. I am in the process of putting them into an album and as I go through them, it reminds me how much I appreciate living in Walberswick. Thank you again and may God continue to bless us and keep us, make His face shine upon us and give us His peace. Julie Winyard.

## FUND RAISING MATTERS

#### AUSTERITY LUNCHES

Donations received at the Lent austerity lunches made a profit of £169.67 which was sent to "Break", the charity enabling families with a disabled child or adult to take a break.

Wendy Sinclair. (Hon Sec St Andrew's Guild)

#### SAVE THE CHILDREN AUCTION OF PLEDGES

Sincere thanks to everyone, those who gave pledges and those who bought them. Due to your generosity we have raised over £1000.00 which is amazing. **Val Anderson**.

#### IT'S PARTY TIME

It's Garden Tea Party time again at Dutch House in aid of Motor Neurone Disease Research, hopefully in the sunshine, on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 14:30 Admission 50p. To include tea, and home-made scones and jam. Raffle, bric-a-brac, gifts, cakes, plants, books, clothes etc. Mary King.

## THE 'DAVID SHIRREFF' BIRDSONG WALK

A cool breeze kept the bird count low (50 species), but spirits were high. Despite this coolness most birds performed well, specifically a Nightingale adjacent to the meeting point. With the wind amongst the reeds some species either did not sing at all or just delivered short phrases that barely clutched the wind. The Bittern giving out lone teasing booms thus making it difficult to home in on him. All enjoyed the experience and the donations added up to a record breaking collection of £107.00. This to be divided up equally between Walberswick Church and the SWT/RSPB Dingle Marshes Project. This was the twentieth Birdsong Walk, with yet another splendid turnout, including Jack and Lucy (under ten years old) from Red House Farm being perhaps our youngest recruits yet. Will they, I wonder, be tracing those same paths on an early May morning in another twenty years' time? I'd like to think that they will. **Tony Lancaster.** 

## CARPET BOWLS CLUB

To celebrate the end of our season members attended a dinner at the Anchor Inn. Excellent food and wine was followed by a champagne toast to celebrate Eric Bassett's birthday. The new season will start on 1st October in the Village Hall at 19:30. New members are always welcome. **Maureen Thompson.** 

### **BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY**

Our April meeting commenced with a brief AGM. Chairman, Piers Ford-Crush, summed up an exciting season which ended in May with the Society's outing to Bletchley Park, home of the Enigma code breakers. We were then treated to a most enjoyable and instructive talk by local artist, Mona Thomson, who is currently exhibiting at the Peter Pears Gallery in Aldeburgh. Her first exhibition was held in 1969 and she showed us examples of the many different media she has used during her artistic career from watercolours and oils through to lino cuts, silkscreen prints, monoprints and collages, but told us she'd no interest in computers or inkjets. Until, that is, quite by chance, she came across "Paint" and quickly realising its vast potential she was hooked. In 1998 she bought her own computer, software and an Epson printer. delighting in the rapidly changing technology during the past five years. Mona had gathered together an immense amount of information for us. We were treated to many examples of her work to illustrate the importance of printer and paper, the type and quality of the latter having a surprising influence on the brightness and clarity of colours. She showed us a typical Painter 7.0 screen depicting the vast choice of brushes, paints, colours and styles she is able to work with, demonstrating how, armed with tablet and pen she is able to produce all the effects she might ever need - from type of hair and size of brush, to the quality and direction of a drip. The 2003/4 season will start in October. Guests are welcome to our meetings, no technical knowledge is required, and for further information ring 01502 722255. Kay Ungless.



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## CHURCH MATTERS

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## CHURCH SERVICES FOR JUNE

| Sund  | ay 1st     | June.      | 7th Sunday of Easter  | 09:30 S     |
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| 20th  | Chris a    | nd Wenc    | ly Sinclair, Di Dawson  |             |

27th Cynthia Jackson, Mary Minney, Pru Ford-Crush

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#### WI GARDEN PARTY

We look forward to our annual garden meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> June at 1430 in the garden of our president Barbara Taylor. Vivien hopes to have some good plants for us to buy. At the May meeting we voted unanimously for this year's resolutions. Barbara will be taking our vote to the Albert Hall in June at the AGM. This year's resolutions are - 1. Restricting the promotion of children's foods that contribute to an unhealthy diet and ensuring increased opportunities for exercise in schools. 2. Facilities and services are provided for older people to spend their remaining years in comfort and dignity irrespective of their means. 3. Promoting and strengthening modern apprenticeship schemes to provide skilled workers for the future. Full details are available at www.womens-institute.org.uk. Following the resolution discussion we were treated to Vivien Finney's memories of The Isle of Man. Her slides left us in no doubt what a beautiful country it is and Vivien had a wealth of historical and geographical details for us. The bridge drive the day before was well supported and hugely enjoyed, especially the scrumptious tea, by Elizabeth Leighton. over fifty people. Julia Josephs.

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3<sup>rd</sup> May 2003 Holy Matrimony Stuart Ronald Parker with Rachel

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## THE WIDE OPEN SPACES OF WALBERSWICK

In our infrequent forays into the world of nature Walberswick Village News this month looks at an impressive bird of prey that can be seen over our marshes.

#### THE MARSH HARRIER\_Circus aeruginosus

The Marsh Harrier, whose old English names include Swamp Hawk, Moor Buzzard, Bald Buzzard, Duck Hawk, Snipe Hawk, Marsh Hawk, Moor Hawk, Brown hawk, Bog Gled, Dun Pickle, White-headed harpy, Puttock and Kite is itself a cosmopolitan bird, existing in almost all of the Old World except in the far north. It is an ancient species, the oldest records in Britain dating back to the Iron Age - around 3,000 years ago!

#### Diet

Being bigger than the Hen Harrier, the Marsh Harrier takes a wider variety of prey. The Harrier generally quarters flat areas at a height of only a few metres, always taking advantage of cover, sometimes hovering or performing impressive aerobatics before dropping with claws



outstretched. Prey is sometimes spotted from a low perch. Birds taken include poultry, ducks, waders, coot, moorhen, water rail, gulls, young pheasants and partridges, songbirds and their young. Mammals include voles, mice, rabbits, moles, rats and young hares. Frogs are also important.

#### Voice

The voice is rarely used outside the breeding season and even then the adults are remarkably quiet, except in courtship flight, when there is a wailing or peewit-like call. The female receives prey with a high-pitched piping, and intruders are threatened with a chattering kekekeke.

#### Status and behaviour in the wild

This species is a bird of swamps, marshes, flood plains and reed beds. On migration it is much less likely to be seen in dry open grassland than other harriers and principally follows river valleys or coasts, though it must cross dry areas sometimes. Like other harriers, it spends a lot of the day on the wing, it flies higher than other harriers, though it has the harrier habit of gliding with wings held well above the level of the back. Although it appears to fly slower than other harriers its hunting speed has been estimated at 31-36 miles an hour, faster than most harriers. Migration in Western Europe begins with young birds of the year in mid-August, followed by adults in September and October. Males migrate later than females and young, and arrive in wintering grounds later. The rate and extent of migration varies according to the place of origin, northern birds leaving earlier, moving faster and travelling further than do birds from Southern Europe, which may remain most of the winter quite close to their breeding areas. The southern migration from Europe follows well-marked routes through Gibraltar or the Bosphorus, and rarely crosses large bodies of water; they may reach high altitudes up to 9,000 feet when crossing mountain passes on migration, but usually favour low ground. Northward migration begins again in February and March, and both at this time and in autumn they are more gregarious than usual, roosting communally



in swamps like some other harriers, with up to 300 together in some places. The northward migration frequently crosses the Mediterranean, so that evidently they can cross large bodies of water if necessary. They generally migrate singly or in small parties, not in large flocks, but often roost gregariously even when hunting singly. In winter quarters the same individuals may frequent the same area for weeks at a time.

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THE MARSH HARRIER Circus aeruginosus

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#### Breeding behaviour

During courtship the male carries out spectacular aerobatics over the nest and surrounding area. He soars in high circles, sometimes flying with exaggerated wingbeats, and occasionally calling. Sometimes the pair display together, when he dives down at her and she rolls over to present her talons. The nest is well hidden in the dense reed bed or other thick vegetation in shallow water. The female takes about 10 days to build the pile of sticks, reeds and grass that serves as a nest. Meanwhile, the male makes a platform for resting and feeding. Both parents add material to the main nest during fledging. The female incubates for 31-38 days per egg, usually starting with the first. The male provides for the female near the nest. For the first week or so the chicks are brooded by the female, who feeds them beak-to-beak, but later they feed themselves in the nest, often with some ferocity, especially if the female is not very attentive. During lean times the bigger chicks may kill and eat their smaller siblings. The male brings food in the typical harrier way, dropping it for the female to catch in the air. As the young develop, the female helps with the hunting. She can rear the brood on her own if her mate is killed or deserts her. After a month or so the chicks scatter into the surrounding vegetation. They fledge at 35-40 days. The male soon leaves after that, but they usually remain with the female for a further 15-25 days.

Article taken from http://www.hawk-conservancy.org

#### PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

#### OUR LAST MEETING

Mr Hunt was proposed by Mr Buncombe, seconded by Mr K Webb and duly elected as Chairman for the forthcoming year. Mr Hunt welcomed Mrs Dabbs to the Council. Mr Buncombe was proposed by Mr Hunt, seconded by Mr Jones and duly elected as Vice Chairman for the forthcoming year. Mr Buncombe was proposed by Mr Hunt, seconded by Mr D Webb and duly elected as Parish Council representative to the Suffolk Association of Local Councils for a further year. On the proposal of Mr K Webb and seconded by Mr D Webb, Mr Hunt was elected to be the Parish Council Representative on the Village Hall Management Committee for a further year. The terms of office for Mr Nigel Hunt and Mr Gerald Tooley as Nominative Trustees would be coming to an end in June. It was unanimously supported to re-nominate them both for a further four years as both had indicated that they were prepared to stand again. The Clerk reported that she had spoken to the Highways Department and the restriction parking box outside the Tuck Shop should be altered in the very near future. The Clerk had also confirmed that the Medical Alert Canisters were available for residents to purchase from the Mobile Police Unit. The Councillors supported replacing the windows at the Old Yacht Yard, Ferry Road, with double glazed timber framed ones but opposed the alterations to the north and west as this would have a severe visual impact and change the area of a very sensitive part of a conservation area. Alvin Hunt.

#### WHAT'S ON - JUNE 2003

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| 27th May   | Visit of Mobile Policing Unit.   |
| GP SURGERY<br>LIBRARY BUS  | Wednesdays 14:30. Village Hall Annexe.<br>Alternate Fridays. Church 14:30/Village Hall 15:10<br>13th and 27th. |
| FITNESS  | Tuesdays 9:30 -10:30.  |
| 13th June  | Luncheon Club, 12:30 Village Hall  |
| 21st June  | Motor Neurone Disease Research Tea Party,<br>Dutch House 14:30.  |
| 26th July  | Horticultural Show.  |

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#### **CHRISTIAN AID WEEK**

#### HOUSE-TO-HOUSE COLLECTION

Heartfelt thanks to all who contributed so generously this year. The total collection amounted to £469.31. After the gift aid tax credits are added the total is approximately £513.93. Thank you everyone.

lan Bruce-Jones.

#### WALBERSWICK UNITED MISSIONARY COUNCIL

The bazaar held on 17th May raised £970.74. After expenses had been deducted £440 was sent to each charity, Vellore Hospital, India, and London City Mission. Many thanks to all who helped to make such a successful and happy occasion. There will be a coffee morning on Wednesday 23rd July at 11:00 in "Longwood" Church Field to help with next year's expenses. **Wendy Sinclair.** Hon Sec

#### NSPCC SPONSORED SPRING WALK

On a beautiful spring sunny morning on the 11th May a few walkers undertook the challenge of the choice of walks around the village. We managed to raise £663.00 for the Society in sponsorship and donations, which was an excellent amount from the few that supported us. Grateful thanks to all those who participated and we look forward to adding this event to our annual programme.

Cathryn and John Simpson.

#### DIRECT PAYMENTS

BENEFITS, PENSIONS AND TAX CREDITS As your Parish Council's representative on the Suffolk Association of Local Councils I am obliged to bring the following to your attention:

From April 2003 the government is phasing in automation of all benefits payments. Recipients are being offered the choice of direct payment into a current bank account or a Post Office card account. With the information which everyone receives there is an application form for benefits to be paid into a bank or building society account with a freepost return envelope. HOWEVER it is much less obvious how to open a Post Office card account, through which it is possible to collect benefits as before in cash at the local Post Office. A telephone call has to be made, a confirmation letter of registration will be received and, after April 2003, an application form has to be completed before any account is opened, at the local Post Office, for the receipt of benefit, pension or tax credit only.

WE MUST SUPPORT LOCAL POST OFFICES so I very strongly urge parishioners to opt to receive benefits in cash at your local Post Office.

If you, or anybody you know, has already taken the most obvious option of completing the bank/building society form this is not irreversible. You CAN convert to a Post Office card account - your friendly local postmistress/master will help you to do so. **Robin Buncombe.** 

#### THE BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY

A coachful of members and guests enjoyed our final event of a most stimulating season. It was our outing to Bletchley Park. Strategically positioned 50 miles from London and equidistant from Oxford and Cambridge, in 1939 Bletchley Park was chosen to house the Government Code and Cipher School whose mission was to crack German military and intelligence communications using the Enigma cipher. Through a combination of rotating wheels, electrical contacts and a daily key-system, the cipher produced ever-changing alphabetic substitutions.

The chance of anyone breaking Enigma was estimated to be 150 million million million to one, but it was this daily key which had to be broken. As our day progressed we were treated to the fascinating tale of how through exploiting an encoding weakness, and the formulaic messages the Germans were often required to send, they were able to design an electromechanical code-breaking machine called the Bombe. Later, with its 2,400 valves, weighing a tonne and the size of a living room, they invented and built Colossus, the world's first programmable electronic computer enabling them to exploit Lorenz, the sophisticated cipher used by Hitler and his High Command. Our guide gave us a vivid picture of what it was like for the 8,000 people working at Bletchley, each group in their hut, working secretly on a "need to know basis", so that they might have no idea how their small part fitted into the whole. Following on from the pre-war work done by Polish mathematicians, it was the speed in deciphering the "unbreakable" Enigma messages, produced by the brilliant mathematicians at Bletchley, which enabled the Allies to gain the vital information they needed to win WW2.

Our 2003/4 season will start in October. For any further information please ring 01502 722255. Kay Ungless.

#### ARTISTS OF WALBERSWICK

As you all know Walberswick has for a long time attracted and inspired artists both amateur and professional. There are a number of professional artists in the community NOW. They were all mentioned in Richard Scott's book. They are William (Terry) Ball, William Bowyer R.A., Olive Hammond, Eveline Hastings, Anne Paton, Richard Scott, Chris and Wendy Sinclair. They have got together and decided to put on an exhibition in the Village Hall for one weekend only. You are all invited - so they hope that you will take this opportunity to see some of the work that is going on in this village. The exhibition will be on the 19th and 20th July and will be open between 10:30 and 18:00. They hope you will find it interesting. Some work will be for sale. **Anne Paton.** 

#### FAMILY ART WEEKEND

THE ASSOCIATION OF SUFFOLK ART TEACHERS Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th July 2003 in and around Walberswick Village Hall 10:00 to 16:00 - everyone welcome. For further details contact Neil Hanger, Leiston Middle School-01728 830886. neilhanger@hotmail.com Mary-Ann Parke. Treasurer-ASAT.

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#### CHURCH SERVICES FOR JULY

| Sunday | 6th  | July. | 3rd Sunday of Trinity |
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| Sunday | 13th | June. | 4th Sunday of Trinity |
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| Sunday |      | July. | 6th Sunday of Trinity |

Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10:00 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17:00 Sunday School - (Village Hall) 6th to 20th 10:00 - 12:15 FLOWER ARRANGERS

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- 25<sup>th</sup> Diane Dawson Betty Jones Janet Simpson

#### LETTER FROM THE OLM

My apologies first of all for missing the deadline for the June issue of the Village News. I remember that Mark Hutchinson once said in a sermon, "I'm not perfect, God hasn't finished with me yet"- I know the feeling! The only excuse I can offer is that I'm still in training! Still it did enable me to learn something about marsh harriers.

Two successful luncheon clubs have now taken place with the age of those attending spanning the age range from one week old to some of the more senior citizens in the village. The lunches have furnished an opportunity for friends old and new to meet and chat over a well-cooked meal Our thanks especially to Christine Mitchell, Patsy Murray, Wendy Sinclair & Sandra Gordon for providing the meals. We meet next on 11<sup>th</sup> July, 12.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. These lunches are for anyone in the village and not just for church members.

Two days later, on 13<sup>th</sup> July, our monthly service of Choral Evensong will be celebrating Sea Sunday. Please join us at 6.00 p.m. that day and celebrate with us Walberswick's past and present connections with the sea. On Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> July there will be another special service but this time at Holy Trinity Church, Blythburgh, as we welcome the Revd Simon Ward to our ministry team. Please pray for Simon, his wife Georgette, and their baby boy Nathaniel, as they move from Aldershot to Reydon. Yours in Christ's service,

Brian Fisher.

#### WI SUFFOLK AIR RESCUE SERVICE

This should prove to be an excellent talk at our next meeting on 9th July and visitors are most welcome. Our President had a very interesting day in London at the AGM in the Albert Hall with over 3000 other WI members and visitors. The three resolutions were duly passed. Tony Blair was not able to be present at this year's meeting! Julia Josephs.

#### **PARISH REGISTER**

4<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Holy Baptism Isobel Denny Lerpiniere Amy Alice Lerpiniere

<u>18<sup>th</sup> May 2003</u> Confirmed at Wangford James Buncombe

5<sup>th</sup> June 2003 Service/Burial of cremated remains. Cyril Robert Cross aged 93

#### MUSIC AT HOLY TRINITY, BLYTHBURGH

Friday 4th July 20:00 Capella Antiqua "Veni Sancte Spiritus" Sacred music of the Renaissance. Tickets £6.00, Concessions £5.00, Saturday July 19th 19:30. Part 2 of the scandalous history of cathedral choirs in the 16th Century. Another hilatious talk by James Saunders. Musical illustrations by the Blythburgh Singers. Free, retiring collection. Saturday 26th July 19:30. Young Musicians Amanda Lake, viola, and Chen Chen, piano, from the Royal College of Music give a recital including works by Bach. Mozart and Chopin. Free admission, retiring collection. Patsy Murray.

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It is all happening on Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August, so please have that date firmly fixed in your diary. The theme this year will be THE BEACH, celebrating our beautiful unspoilt sands and shingle with its diverse wildlife and flowers in the dunes edging its shore. In addition to our traditional range of stalls, games and a roundabout we are, for the first time, having a Fun Dog Show on the morning of the fete. This will be run by Bob and Julie Cronin (724070) and the entry forms will be ready at the beginning of August, available in the Village News and the Tuck Shop. There will be an authentic Punch and Judy show in the afternoon at 14:30 and 15:30. Both these events will be taking place in the village marquee, which we can use for the first time and it will be some re-location of stalls including the use of the area behind the hall. So, make sure you explore our two-location fête!

Light lunches will be served in the village hall from 12:00 to 14:00 and teas from 14:00. Stalls will be open from 14:00.

Please contact the stallholders listed below with your gifts. If you can help on the day please let them know.

It is your generosity that we all rely on for the success of our fete. Let's have a fun day!

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| Garden Centre                  | Brenda Horsey          | 723910 |
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| Things for Kids                | John & Dilly Atkinson  | 724527 |
| Fancy Goods & Gifts            | Alan Gomm              | 723294 |
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| (Hats, scarves, ties, belts, b | ags etc)               |        |
| Nearly New                     | Pam Webb               | 722543 |
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| Teas                           | Dione Shirreff         | 723287 |
| Grand Raffle                   | Alvin & Vivien Hunt    | 723142 |
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Lastly, if you have a brilliant idea for a new stall that you'd love to run or a game that will draw the punters, please contact one of us: Brian Fisher 723023 Heather Hyne 723754 or Margot Godbold 722439 Fête Co-ordinators

All proceeds are equally divided between St. Andrew's Church and the Village Hall

## IN MEMORY OF THE 1953 FLOODS

On Spring Bank Holiday Monday The Walberswick Local History Group presented this Exhibition. The event, which was very well attended both by local and outside visitors, highlighted the beginning of that tragic train of events on the last night of January '53 and for those who witnessed, or were directly involved in such a devastating force of nature, a mixture of memories. The putting together and success of such events is always dependent upon Committee and Members' support; however, in this instance our special thanks must go to Philip Kett whose painstaking research and excellent presentation was the mainstay.

Don Thompson.

#### **TUESDAY FITNESS 09:30 - 10:30**

The last session for the summer will be on 15th July. We resume in the village hall on 9th September. So far no men have joined but they would be very welcome. Enjoy the summer, but keep active. **Jenny Cardwell.** 

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#### PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

There were two main subjects discussed at the Parish Council Meeting on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. The first subject concerned the new ramp the Environment Agency were erecting by the beach huts. Councillor D Webb stated that he had been appalled to see this work being carried out as the Parish Council had only asked for help to plant Marram grass to aid the sea defences. The Environment Agency had not shown the Council or the Trust plans of the ramp. It was agreed to make further contact with the Environment Agency. The second issue concerned the bottle bank. Mr Harris, the Landlord at the Anchor Inn, had asked the Council to have the bank removed as he had received complaints from hotel residents and neighbours about the noise and unsocial hours some people had chosen to use the bank. Letters in a similar vein had been received from nearby residents. Councillor Leighton stated that it would reflect badly on the village if there were no recycling facilities and that the Parish Council should try to find an alternative location. He stated that most village halls in the district provided recycling facilities. It was agreed to put the suggestion to the Village Hall Management Committee at their next meeting that the bottle bank be re-sited in the Village Hall car park.

#### ISSUES RAISED AT THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

- 1. Footpaths in the area of the marshes are being damaged by cyclists. Please do not cycle on these footpaths.
- 2. The dustmen will only collect garden rubbish placed in green bags supplied by the authority. These can be purchased directly from the dustmen.
- 3. Rubbish bags should not be placed at the roadsides until Sunday evening. Rubbish placed outside before Sunday is being spread around by scavenging animals and making an unsightly mess around the village.

Everybody's co-operation on these points would be greatly appreciated

Vivien Hunt. Parish Clerk.

#### SOUTHWOLD SURGERY PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

At Southwold Surgery we have recently formed a "Patient Participation Group" The group is designed to involve patients in the running of The Southwold Practice, so that patient concerns can be aired and taken into account when planning improvements to primary care in the community. The role of the group is to bring those concerns to the Practice and to help in the planning of improved services. The Group will be representative of the whole Practice area, which includes: Southwold, Reydon, Wenhaston, Walberswick & Blythburgh, Representatives so far are: Southwold: Barbara Davis, Maurice Wilde, Sue Bray. Reydon: Harry Wilkins. Wenhaston: Jan Allen. Walberswick: Mary King. Blythburgh: Jennifer Allen.

If you have any concerns or suggestions and would like them to be raised to either the group as a whole, or any individual member, please write care of: The Practice Manager, Southwold Surgery, York Road, Southwold, IP18 6AN.

If you would like more information, please contact the Practice Manager on 722326. The group is not involved with fund-raising, or the administration of donations to the Practice. At the Group's recent meeting they expressed concern that the number of people who did not attend for an appointment, without informing the Surgery of a cancellation was 81 last month which is unacceptably high. Please inform us if you cannot make your appointment, then someone else can be fitted in. There is a new "Practice Leaflet", which details all the services provided by the Surgery. Copy can be picked up at the surgery, or at the village shop where prescriptions are held. **Mary King.** 

#### A HOLIDAY?

WHAT'S ON - JULY 2003

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| Congratulations to our printers Michael<br>and Diane Mayhew of Southwold Press<br>who have spent their fortnight's holiday<br>cycling from Land's End to<br>John o' Groats. Michael and Diane have<br>always given us excellent and prompt | GP SURGERY<br>LIBRARY BUS<br>FITNESS<br>04th July<br>07th July<br>09th July                                      | Wednesdays 14:30. Village Hall Annexe.<br>Alternate Fridays. Church 14:30/Village Hall 15:10 11th and 25th.<br>Tuesdays 9:30 -10:30. Last session 15th July<br>Music at Blythburgh (See Page 4).<br>End of bridge club's present series - to restart 8th September.<br>WI Meeting - Air Rescue Service Talk. |
| service.   | 11th July  | Luncheon Club, Village Hall 12:30.   |
| Eric Bassett.  | 12-13th July   | Family Art Weekend. Village Hall 10:00 to 16:00.   |
|  | 19th July  | Music at Blythburgh (See Page 4).  |
|  | 19-20th July   | Artists of Walberswick exhibition. Village Hall 10:30-18:00.   |
|  | 26th July  | Horticultural Show.  |
|  | 26th July  | Music at Blythburgh (See Page 4).  |
|  | 23rd Aug   | Village Fete.  |

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### HEARTFELT THANKS

May I, through the Village News express my heartfelt thanks to all my friends and neighbours, who have shown me so much kindness and support following the recent death of my husband. The huge turnout at his funeral showed clearly how much loved Richard was and how lucky I am to have so many good friends. The donations of over £600.00 to the League of Friends at Southwold Hospital is a tribute to their generosity. **Vida Connick.** 

## **100% DEGREE OF SUCCESS**

I am very proud that my son Sam has worked to succeed at his B.A. (Hons) Degree in Costume, Technical Effects and Make-up for the Performing Arts. He is a very fine sculptor, moulder, illustrator and painter. His delightful girlfriend Milly Newman has also worked extremely hard and succeeded at the same degree. She is a very fine prop-maker, costumier, wig-dresser, sculptor and makes wonderful large puppets. Their work is magical, innovative and inspiring, as we witnessed at their exhibitions at the London College of Fashion, where they studied for three years. The next generation of artists in Walberswick is now recognised. Congratulations to them both. **Tizzy Simpson.** 

#### SUFFOLK HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 13TH

Sponsor forms etc are now available. Please support St. Andrew's Church (or a church of your choice) and cycle, or walk round our glorious countryside. **Ruth Bassett.** *Herons, Church Field. Tel:* 722474



## VILLAGE FETE 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2003

There's not long to go now before the Village Fete and we continue to need your help in making our fete a very successful event. All the stallholders are listed below for your convenience and they will be grateful for any offers of cakes, preserves, bottles (not only wine!) gifts, fancy goods, plants, kitchenware, children's toys & games, raffle prizes, books etc. that you can offer to them for their stalls.

Now for the Fun Dog Show - forms in this News & in the Tuck Shop, ready for you to fill in and return with your entry fees. Can your pet sport a rosette by the end of the day? We are all looking forward to seeing some very smart pooches around the village!

If you have a beach windshield, could we please borrow it for the Fete Day? To enhance our theme, Kate & Roger Fulton have agreed to make us a beach scene around the newly grassed area and will use the windshields to screen it off. If you can lend us yours for the day, please deliver it to the Green in the early morning (clearly named) and collect at the end of the Fete. We also plan a few palm trees. We have the stakes but need some palm fronds! Real or paper ones, please, on the Green early in the morning.

To add to our theme, we are inviting all children living in or staying in the village to paint, draw, crayon or collage a beach scene. Please use as large a sheet of paper/card as possible. Alternatively, illustrate a beach by sculpture or a 3-dimensional structure of found objects. The entries will be displayed on the Green around or on the newly grassed area; to be judged for three prizes: under 5, 5-9 & 10-15 years of age. Bring your entries to the Green from 10:30, but no later than 12:00, on Fete Day.

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Margot Godbold. for Fete Co-ordinators

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#### WALBERSWICK FUN DOG SHOW SATURDAY 23rd AUGUST 2003 10:30 - 12:00

There will be a Fun Dog Show in the marguee at the rear of Village Hall on the day of the Village Fete. There will be five categories and the winner of each category will be presented with a rosette; there will be an overall prize for best dog in show. Michael Vaughan our resident vet will judge and his decision is final. Please fill out and return the 2004. Queries? phone Mark Aldridge on 724013. form below.

Bob Cronin.

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|          | Please tick to select each category you would like your dog to enter.  |  |  |  |  |
|          | <ul> <li>Dog with the waggiest tail.</li> <li>Dog with the best trick.</li> <li>Obedience.</li> </ul>                                |  |  |  |  |
|          | <ul> <li>Dog that looks most like its owner.</li> <li>Dog with the best six legs.</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |  |
|          | For fund raising it will cost £1 to enter each category. (50% to the Church & 50% to Village Hall) Please use this form to register. |  |  |  |  |
|          | Payments with registration please, return to:<br>Bob Cronin, ILANGA, Lodge Road, Walberswick<br>IP18 6UP Tel: 01502 724070           |  |  |  |  |
| :::      | Dog's Name:  |  |  |  |  |
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|          | Owner's Name:  |  |  |  |  |
|          | Address and Telephone number   |  |  |  |  |
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## **GARDEN PARTY SUCCESS**

It was a sunny Saturday afternoon on 21st June for the Garden Party at Dutch House. More than two hundred people came and enjoyed tea and scones, and spent money on the stalls and raffles. The record sum of £1,698. 42p was raised for Motor Neurone Disease Research. Very many thanks to all those who came, those who made the delicious cakes and scones, and those who helped on the day. Mary King.

#### HI HO. HI HO. IT'S OFF TO THE PANTO WE GO!

Yes, yet again your talents are needed - auditions for SNOW WHITE will be held on Saturday 6th September between 16:00 - 19.30 pm in the Village Hall. More details in the September Village News but please put the date in your diary now. Performance dates will be 5-7 February Pru Ford-Crush.

#### WALBERSWICK COMMON LANDS TRUST

#### Report from April & June meetings.

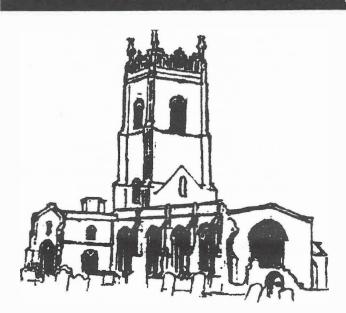
Nigel Hunt & Gerald Tooley will serve a further four years as Nominative Trustees. Rev.Brian Fisher was welcomed as the new ex-officio Trustee. The walkway onto the beach from Cliff Field will be moved in the Autumn. The timber of the corral on the grazing marshes will be treated with environmentally friendly preservative. The Trust would like to arrange a Christmas treat for village children, perhaps a party in the Village Hall or a trip to a Pantomime. Parents of children up to the age of 16 are invited to contact Javne Tibbles at Lima Cottage (01502 724448) with suggestions, offers of help with arrangements, collation of numbers etc. We need input from you for this to happen!

Jayne Tibbles. Clerk to the Trustees.

## PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

The Village Hall Management Committee had turned down the Parish Council's request to have the bottle bank placed in the Village Hall car park. It would therefore have to be removed from the village as the Parish Council were unable to find another site. The Parish Council expressed disappointment at this decision and would ask the VHMC to reconsider. The following planning applications were approved by the Council: (a) The construction of a dormer window to existing studio at the rear of Winton, The Street. (b) The erection of a conservatory at 2 lvy Cottages, The Street and (c) The erection of a two-storey house (existing house to be demolished) at the Studio, Stocks Lane. The Council had no objections to the erection of a two-storey extension at The Meadow, Stocks Lane, although they would request that the Planning Committee would consider the overlooking aspect of the roof garden and the design of the gable roof. Planning permission with amendments had been granted for replacement windows and external alterations to the Old Yacht Yard and also for the erection of a detached outbuilding for office use at the Bell Hotel. The Chairman, Mr A Hunt, reported that members of the Council and Trust had met with Mr Stan Jeavons, Assistant Area Manager for the Environment Agency, to discuss the new ramp which they had erected (without consulting either the Council or the Trust). Mr Jeavons, who was also concerned at the height and general appearance of the structure, agreed to have it painted black and to hold a further meeting in the autumn to discuss the future of the ramp. Vivien Hunt. Parish Clerk.

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## **CHURCH MATTERS**

#### SERVICES FOR AUGUST

| 3rd Aug.  | 7 <sup>th</sup> Sun. of Trinity  | 0930 Sung     |
|-----------|----------------------------------|---------------|
| 10th Aug. | 8 <sup>th</sup> Sun. of Trinity  | 0930 Famil    |
|           |                                  | 1800 Chora    |
| 17th Aug. | 9 <sup>th</sup> Sun. of Trinity  | 1100 Morni    |
| 24th Aug. | St Bartholomew                   | 0930 Sung     |
| 31st Aug. | 11 <sup>th</sup> Sun. of Trinity | 0930 Sung     |
|           |                                  | joint service |

0930 Family Eucharist 1800 Choral Evensong 1100 Morning Prayer 0930 Sung Eucharist 0930 Sung Eucharist joint service with Blythburgh

Eucharist

Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10:00 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17:00 Sunday School is on holiday

#### FLOWER ARRANGERS

Elizabeth Leighton, Judy Morton, Cynthia Jackson, Sue Green, Kathleen Patterson. British Legion: Chrissie Reeves.

#### **CHURCH CLEANERS**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Craster and Kathleen Patterson, Susan Walpole.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Chris and Wendy Sinclair, Jean Waller.
- 15<sup>th</sup> Pat Wythe, Betty Jones, Elizabeth Leighton.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Janet Simpson, Cynthia Jackson, Ruth Bassett.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Diane Dawson, Mary King, Susan Walpole.

#### **CHURCH REGISTER**

21<sup>st</sup> June 2003 Holy Matrimony Chloe Keam George with Christian de Souza

#### LETTER FROM THE OLM

What a glorious summer we've had so far, providing us with opportunities to enjoy the good things God has created around us - long may it continue (on second thoughts the farmers and gardeners may not appreciate that wish!). On the other hand we do not want to be like Horace Walpole who wrote these words in a letter in 1774 'the way to ensure summer in England is to have it framed and glazed in a comfortable room'.

For schoolchildren, summer is all about holidays and many will come to this beautiful part of God's earthly kingdom to enjoy sand, sea and countryside. As for many previous years the Scripture Union will be running a beach mission on Southwold beach, for two weeks from 3<sup>rd</sup> August. Julie Winyard, who runs our own Sunday School, is hoping to link up with some of the Scripture Union team to run a holiday club here in Walberswick. The beach mission is extremely well run and provides an opportunity for young people of all ages to have fun but at the same time learn something more about what the Bible can teach us for today.

The monthly Luncheon Club continues to be well received. Just to let you know that there will not be one in August; the next one will take place on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September. See you there. While you enjoy your summer why not put some time aside to think about the good things all around us and the God who has created them?

Yours in Christ's service, Brian Fisher.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMER CLUB

This is a new and exciting adventure for St Andrew's Church, a Sunday School Summer Club! We have booked the Village Hall every morning from Monday 4th August for 1 week. Sessions will start at 10.30 and finish at 12.00. Our theme for the week: Who is Jesus and what can He do for me?

Please come and join the fun. You do not have to be a Sunday School regular and all you need to bring is £1 per day and parents on Friday because we will be having a treasure hunt on the beach!! I look forward to meeting you all on Monday 4th August at 10:30 in the Village Hall, Walberswick. You are also most welcome to join the Southwold Beach Mission every afternoon and for their second week. For further details and a programme for the week contact me on 01502 722178. Julie Winyard.

#### ST ANDREW'S CHURCH WALBERSWICK

| TEAM RECTOR             | Revd Jane Wilson  | Tel: 722397 |  |
|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------|--|
| TEAM VICAR              | Revd Graham Owen  | Tel: 578827 |  |
| CHURCHWARDEN            |                   |             |  |
|                         | Christine Fisher  | Tel: 723023 |  |
| ORDAINED LOCAL MINISTER |                   |             |  |
|                         | Revd Brian Fisher | Tel: 723023 |  |
|                         |                   |             |  |

#### INTERNET FAMILY HISTORY QUERY

Hi! I am researching my family history and find my grandmother was from Walberswick. She was May Burley and her father was George Burley and her mother was Edith Jane Goddard. Are there any relatives of the Goddard or Burley families still in the area? Margaret Carr-Bowey. Telephone - 01983 247607 Email - maggiemay@wight365.net

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## WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH?

Wednesdays 14:30. Village Hall Annexe. Alternate Fridays. Church 14:30/Village Hall 15:10 8th and 22nd.

| WALBERSWICK   | -                           |   |   |
|---|-----------------------------|---|---|
| WALBERSWICK<br>01502 724448<br>Building Maintenance Plumbing &<br>Decorating                      | 3rd<br>4th                  | August<br>August                              | Fortnight of Southwold Beach Mission Starts.<br>Sunday School Summer Club<br>Village Hall 10:30 - 12:00.                                    |
| COOPER & DENNY<br>Builders and Contractors<br>MOUNT PLEASANT. REYDON<br>01502 723366 (Fax 724866) | 23rd<br>6th<br>12th<br>13th | August<br>September<br>September<br>September | Village Fete.<br>Auditions for Snow White. 16:00 - 19:30 Village Hall.<br>Luncheon Club.<br>Suffolk Historic Churches sponsored cycle ride. |

**GP SURGERY** 

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Suffolk Historic Churches sponsored cycle ride. September Snow White - Walberswick's Pantomime. 5th - 7th February

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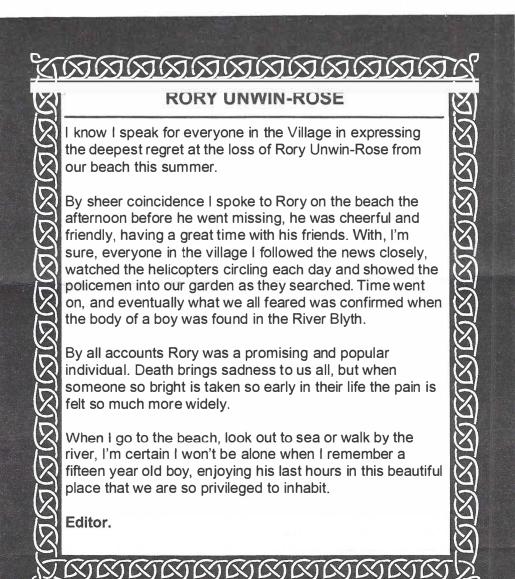
#### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

Thanks to everyone for their contributions this month, please keep them coming. If you do contribute, please would you include your name written clearly and a contact number so I have some recourse when handwritten articles (especially names) are hard to read. Thanks. Justin.

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## NSPCC ANNUAL VILLAGE COLLECTION

The grand total of £367.59 was raised in our recent annual House-to-House collection. We thank all those residents and holidaymakers that donated so freely and generously and also thank our collectors for their hard work and support. Appreciation and a huge thank-you also to The Tuck Shop and The Anchor Inn for displaying collecting boxes to enable year round contributions. Cathryn and John Simpson.

#### SAVE THE CHILDREN

The annual Coffee Morning will be held on Saturday 2nd October 10:00 - 12:00, in the Village Hall. Any offers of help or items for raffle or sale would be very welcome. Val Anderson.

#### SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE

There's still time to collect your sponsor forms for the above in aid of the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust. Half of the money you raise goes to St Andrew's, Walberswick, or a church of your choice, and the other half to the SHCT. Ruth Bassett, Herons, Churchfield, Tel 722474

#### A UNIQUE OCCASION

My father Bertie Stannard, perhaps better known as Tubby celebrated his centenary on Wednesday 30th July . with members of his family at home. The following day the Parish Council very generously marked this unique occasion with a special party held on the green in front of his cottage. We all enjoyed some exceptional refreshments in the specially erected marquee, followed by Well, not exactly - more a white February when the champagne and an enormous birthday cake. The weather was kind to us enabling everyone to circulate and chat, renewing old acquaintances. Many had travelled from far and wide. I would like to thank all who came and spent time with him, but special thanks go to all members of the Parish Council who organised everything so efficiently and to those who helped them make this event so memorable, unique in Walberswick I believe. Although many residents are hale and hearty pensioners, as there have indeed been in the past I cannot recall since I was born in Walberswick well over 65 years ago anyone previously reaching their 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday. This is a truly great achievement of which I am very proud. My father enjoyed both days to the full, even insisting on making his own bed and doing the washing up on his birthday! Long may it continue.

Michael Stannard.

#### SPORTS FIELD CRICKET SQUARE

A lot of hard work, time, and money has been put into making the cricket square on the sports field as good a playing surface as possible. Much of this effort is however being negated by inconsiderate golfers who are damaging the playing surface. Other options may be available to the golfers but in the meantime all must keep well clear of the square itself.

#### WALBERSWICK HORTICULTURAL SHOW

This year's show was held in the Village Hall on Saturday 26th July 2003. "An excellent display", "A Super Show", "Best Ever", not our comments, but those of the many visitors during that day. It was indeed "a blooming good show".

Facts:

56 Entrants. 1.

2. 297 Items on display.

It was considered the highest ever recorded!

#### CUP AND TROPHY WINNERS

| Winyard Cup - Man      | David Webb         |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Iris Bloise Cup - Lady | Sheila Diverall    |
| Flower Bowl            | Chrissie Reeve     |
| C.C. Gold Cup          | Elizabeth Leighton |
| Harvey Memorial        | Jill Whittenbury   |
| Victor Ludorum Salver  | Elizabeth Leighton |

The chairman, Brian Payne thanked the committee and other helpers for their outstanding efforts and praised the high number of junior entries, all of a very high standard. Vic Rowland.

#### BRIDGE

Monday Bridge Club restarts on 8th September in the annex at 14:30. See you all there! Margot Godbold.

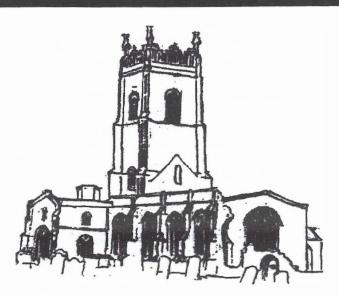
#### IT'S GOING TO BE A WHITE CHRISTMAS!

pantomime Snow White will be performed in the village, for the village and by the village. And that means WE NEED YOU...! YES, YOU! Auditions for the pantomime will be held on SATURDAY 6th SEPTEMBER in the Village Hall between 16:00 – 19:30 and we hope everyone interested will come and have a go. Age, height, size and ability are irrelevant - enthusiasm is the most important requirement and if you can act, sing or dance that will come in handy too. The cast will include all the usual suspects - a wicked queen, a handsome prince, goodies, baddies, seven dwarves and a lively chorus - the more the merrier. If you would like to join in the fun please come along on the 6<sup>th</sup>. This will be your opportunity to meet the director, Mark Aldridge. Don't be shy – give it a try! If you cannot make it but would like to be in the show, please give Mark a ring on 724013 and have a chat. There will be a read-through on Sunday 5th October at 14:00 in the Village Hall and rehearsals will be held approximately twice a week from early November. We shall have a good break over the Christmas period to enjoy the party season. Even if you don't want to be on stage perhaps you would like to help behind the scenes? There will be lots of opportunities to join in backstage, front of house, making costumes, scenery and props - the more people join in the better it will be. We look forward to seeing you. Performance dates are 4th - 7th February 2004.

Walberswick Parish Council.

Walberswick Pantomime Committee.

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## **CHURCH MATTERS**

#### CHURCH SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

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#### **FLOWER ARRANGERS**

Dione Shirreff, Susan Walpole, Crissie Reeves, Elizabeth Leighton. British Legion Cathryn Simpson.

#### **CHURCH CLEANERS**

- 5<sup>th</sup> Pru Ford-Crush, Craster & Kathleen Patterson.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Chris & Wendy Sinclair, Elizabeth Leighton.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Pat Wythe, Betty Jones, Jean Waller.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Janet Simpson, Diane Dawson, Mary King.

#### LETTER FROM THE OLM

I often wonder whether it would be better to regard September as the start of a new year rather than January 1<sup>st</sup>! Why do I say that? Well, that is when the school year starts, and having had children in my life for over thirty years it always has felt a time of new beginnings. Something else that has already begun is the football season, earlier every year it seems. But I'm not complaining, once again I have my season ticket for Norwich City. George Eliot once wrote in a letter, *'beginnings are always troublesome...' –* I hope that that does not apply to my team! Talking of things beginning again, we resume our Luncheon Club at the Village Hall on Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> September, at 12:30 Make it a date and join us. The 28<sup>th</sup> of September will see the next stage in my life as an Anglican minister, that morning I am to be ordained as a priest at Bury St Edmunds Cathedral. To celebrate the event Christine and I have hired the Village Hall for a 'bring & share lunch' at 14:00; everybody is welcome, the only condition is that you bring some food with you. At 18:00 that same day I will be presiding at my first Eucharist Service - please join me there and please pray for me that, in my further service for God, all that I do will truly honour the Lord. Yours in Christ's service,

Brian Fisher.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

It was great to see so many of you at the Summer Holiday Club. Thank you all for your support and we hope to repeat a similar activity next year. It was great to have helpers from the Scripture Union Beach Mission and some Walberswick children were hoping to join them for the second week in Southwold. Sunday School next term begins on the 7th September. The groups, times and dates are as follows so please come along whether you are a resident, weekender or on holiday and join in the fun in the Village Hall annex.

**Group 1** mainly Primary Key Stage 1 and Lower 2: Years 1 to 4.

Group 2 mainly Middle: Upper Key Stage 2 to Lower Key Stage 3 Years 5 to 8 . Group 3 mainly High School: Year 9 upwards.

#### Times

| Times.  |   |                       |
|---------|---|-----------------------|
| Group 2 |   | 10.00 - 10.45         |
| Group 1 | 1 | 10.45 - 11.30         |
| Group 3 |   | 11. <b>30 -</b> 12.15 |

#### Dates:

Sunday School in the annex: September 7th, 28th. October 5th, 19th. November 16th, 23rd, 30th. December 7th.

Family Services at 09.30 at St Andrew's: September 14th, 21st (note: at Reydon Church), October 12th, November 9th, December 14th. Julie Winyard. 722178

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|                         | Revd Brian Fisher | Tel: 723023 |  |

#### WI SUFFOLK PROBATION SERVICE

We meet on 10th September at 14.30 in the Village Hall to hear Mr Hale give us an insight into the Suffolk Probation Service. Visitors and new members are always welcome.

Julia Josephs.

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5th - 7th February

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Wednesdays 14:30. Village Hall Annexe.

8th 12th 13th 2nd

Snow White - Walberswick's Pantomime.

Luncheon Club, 12.30 Village Hall.

Church 14:30/Village Hall 15:10 5th and 19th.

Bridge Club starts, Village Hall annex, 14:30.

Suffolk Historic Churches sponsored cycle ride.

Save the Children Coffee Morning 10:00-12:00,

Auditions for Snow White. 16:00 - 19:30 Village Hall.

## KIDS POETRY COMPETITION!

Alternate Fridavs.

Village Hall.

Walberswick Village News is running a poetry competition this month for children living or staying in the Village. The title for the poem should be: "Naughty!"

Please deliver your entries marked clearly with your name, age and address to the address below by 30th September 2003. 1st Prize £10.00 2nd Prize £7.00 3rd Prize £5.00

Results & choice poems will be published in November's Village News.

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#### ERIC BASSETT 15.5.24 - 5.9.03

The sudden and unexpected death of Eric Bassett is a loss which the Village can ill afford. Eric came with Ruth to Walberswick in 1983 after a career with Barclays Bank which followed his wartime service in the R.A.F. in the unusual role of a compass adjuster working on Sunderland flying boats in the north of Scotland.

As a retired bank manager he was in constant demand to give help with auditing the annual accounts of various Village societies - a task always performed with willingness and great efficiency. He was for many years Treasurer of the Village Hall Committee and until recently Treasurer of the Parochial Church Council of St. Andrew's Church where he acted as sidesman. He was also a founder member and Treasurer of the Board of Management of the Village News and a proof reader. Eric was a knowledgeable and enthusiastic gardener and his garden at Herons is a tribute to his hard work. As a sportsman he was a popular and skilful indoor bowls player, and he was a loyal supporter of Essex County Cricket Club. Eric died at the James Paget Hospital after a short illness on 5th September. Our sympathies go to Ruth, Rex, David and their families. On a personal note, I could not have wished for a better friend and neighbour for the past twenty years. We shall miss him. Grahame Godsmark.

We would like to thank the many friends in Walberswick for the wonderful support, many kindnesses, letters, prayers and tributes we have received during the past few weeks. **Ruth, Rex and David Bassett.** 

#### **BRIAN DILLON**

I would like to thank the many people who so kindly wrote to me following the death of my husband Brian. Your thoughtful words and warm sentiments have been a very real comfort during these past days. There have been so many letters and I feel extremely lucky to live in such a wonderful community that makes up Walberswick. I am also most grateful for the countless acts of kindness from all my friends and neighbours which have come in so many ways and have been such a source of support. Thank you.

Miriam Dillon.

#### **SAVE THE CHILDREN**

Our coffee morning is on Saturday 25th October 10.00 to 12.00 in the Village Hall. **NOT Saturday 2nd October!** Offers of help will be gratefully accepted. Thank you very much for your generosity with the auction of promises. We banked over £1,100.00 which was fantastic. **Val Anderson.** 

My apologies for last month's error! Ed.

#### **RELAX!**

Aches and pains, or just in need of relaxation? Relief is at hand in the Village with massage, kinesiology or reiki. Please contact us for further information. **Pam Webb.** *Tel* 722543 **Mandy Aldridge.** *Tel* 724013

#### WALBERSWICK HERITAGE CENTRE

A big thank you to all the Volunteers who manned the Heritage Centre this year. As the weather was so good most people spent their time on the beach and those who visited the Centre were not as generous as in other years. However, as is customary, we gave a service and answered all the usual questions such as, "Where are the loos?" "Is the ferry running?" and "Where did Rennie Mackintosh live?" Etc!

On Monday 13th October, at 19.30 in the Village Hall, the Suffolk Coasts and Heaths Staff will be giving us a talk, there will be our usual wine and eats so we hope you will be able to come along. **Maureen Thompson.** 

#### WALBERSWICK BOWLS CLUB

The new season will start on Wednesday 8th October at 19.30, in the Village Hall. New members welcome. **Maureen Thompson.** 

#### THE TERRIBLE TALE OF LADY KATE

The Pembrokeshire Junior Players wish to thank the people of Walberswick for their reception of our first performance of The Terrible Tale of Lady Kate on 29th August in the Village Hall. We also want to thank friends and residents for their kindness in helping with costumes. Altogether, with donations for the free show and home-made Fair Trade free refreshments, with your help we raised £96.08 for Wateraid. Many thanks. **Joshua Coles-Riley.** 

#### VILLAGE SCROLL VIDEO

As some people are aware, Walberswick Common Lands Trust have produced a video copy of the Village Scroll. It is intended to offer copies of the video (at a subsidised price) to all residents on the basis of one copy per household only. If you would like to purchase a copy please come to the Village Hall on Saturday 15th November between 10.00 and 12.00. For those who have not seen the original, Richard Scott has offered to be in attendance with the scroll on view. **Gerald Tooley.** *Trustee.* 

#### **SNOW WHITE**

Thanks to all those who have volunteered to perform in the pantomime. The first read-through for the cast will be held in the Village Hall on Sunday 5th October at 14.00. **Pru Ford-Crush.** 

#### THE BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY

The Blyth Valley Computer Society's new, exciting season starts this month with a talk and demonstration on the depths and intricacies of Coreldraw. The new season offers the usual breadth of stimulating topics, including IT security and a visit to Eastern Pharmaceuticals. Our next meeting will be on Friday, 10th October at 19:00 in the Village Hall Annexe. Guests are welcome, no technical knowledge required. For further information ring 01502 722255. **Kay Ungless.** 

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#### ROYAL BRITISH LEGION EVENTS AUTUMN 2003 WALBERSWICK PARISH COUNCIL

#### Friday 7th November 14.30

Remembrance Sunday Service Rehearsal, St Andrew's, Walberswick.

End of October / Beginning of November The Poppy Appeal Collection.

Saturday 8th November 10.00 to 12.00

Coffee morning and Bazaar - Village Hall.

Sunday 9th November 10.45

Remembrance Sunday Service, St Andrew's, Walberswick. There will be coffee and biscuits at Shenburgh after the service.

Monday 17th November 19.30 pm AGM - Village Hall

#### BAZAAR

All proceeds go to the Poppy Appeal. As usual Posters will be on display a week before, and a Flyer will be included with the October issue of the Village News giving full details. My thanks to Col. Rae Leighton and other members of the Committee who have agreed to coordinate and help out in my absence over the whole period (except for the AGM). Alan Walpole. Chairman. Tel 724763.

#### VILLAGE FITNESS FOR MEN AND WOMEN

At 09.30 every Tuesday in the Village Hall Yvonne Proctor takes us through a whole body work out - lots of fun. Come and join us: £3 per session. Jenny Cardwell.

#### FREE VILLAGE BUS SERVICE

At present there is a free bus service subsidised by the Walberswick Common Lands Trust Charity, to Lowestoft on the first Wednesday morning of the month, and to Halesworth on the other Wednesdays. It has been suggested that once a month the bus should go to Southwold instead of Halesworth. So that a decision can be made will anyone interested please contact me. Mary King. Dutch House. Tel 724590.

#### THANKS

We would like to thank all of our friends in the Village who helped to make our Ruby wedding anniversary such a special day with their good natured support and generosity. (N.B. A pair of spectacles and case were handed in at the Village Hall party and have not yet been claimed.) Gerald & Joy Tooley.

#### WALBERSWICK LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

On Monday 6th October 19.30, there will be a talk by Mike McKeon entitled "Mail Coaches in East Anglia". Saturday 13th December will see our Christmas Celebration. Both events in the Village Hall. Members and their visitors are, as always, welcome. Don Thompson.

#### WI WILD MUSHROOMS

We meet on 8<sup>th</sup> October at 14.30 in the Village Hall to hear Peter Jordan tell us about mushrooms. Visitors and new members are always welcome. Julia Josephs.

#### AUGUST

The 100<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration for Bertie (Tubby) Stannard organised by the Council had been a great success. The Clerk thanked Pam Webb, Jayne Tibbles and Gill Jones for their help on the day. Thanks were also expressed to Judy and Brian Morton and to Maureen Thompson for their invaluable help. About fifty friends and close relatives attended the party held in a marguee on the Village Green outside Mr Stannard's cottage. The weather was excellent and all enjoyed this special occasion.

The chestnut fence by the pier had been reported as damaged and was duly repaired by Waveney District Council. The Statement of Assurance for the Parish Council's yearly accounts was checked and approved by the Council. Mr Tony Kohn had carried out an internal audit for the Council's accounts. Thanks were expressed to him for conducting this for the Council.

PC Upson stated that bogus window cleaners and tree surgeons were calling on households in the Village. Residents were asked to be vigilant and report any suspect characters. He also reported that the Parish Council Chairman's car had been vandalised on his property between 21.00 and 08.00 on 1st/2nd August.

#### SEPTEMBER

Environmental Services have agreed to put the part of the beach owned by Suffolk Coastal onto their cleaning schedule for 2004 and thereby clean that area once a week from April to October (Waveney District Council already clean the area from the beach huts to the harbour during the summer period).

The Village Hall Management Committee has turned down the request to reconsider siting the bottle bank in the Village Hall car park.

The Parish Council (The Chairman and Mrs Dabbs declared an interest and took no part in the discussions) had no objections to the alterations to the house at SANDY MOUNT, Manor Close, but asked for clarification concerning the first floor of the garage. There was also no objection to a caravan being sited in THE MEADOW, Stocks Lane, for a year while alterations were being undertaken to the house. The Councillors also had no objections to replacement windows at ARDMAY, The Street.

The Police wished to thank the Village for their cooperation in looking for Rory Unwin Rose, who had tragically drowned in the River Blyth. PC Upson had also reported that Crabbing Day had gone very smoothly as far as the police were concerned

Concerns were raised about the state of the verges and especially the Village Greens which it was feared might not recover from the extremely dry summer. These will be monitored and action taken if necessary.

#### **BEACH CLEAN**

The second beach clean of the year by residents will take place on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October between 10.00 and 12.00. Please help if you can. Sacks and gloves are provided.

Vivien Hunt, Clerk to Council.

DON'T FORGET TO RECORD COMING EVENTS IN THE VILLAGE CALENDAR IN THE POST OFFICE

## **CHURCH MATTERS**



#### CHURCH SERVICES FOR OCTOBER

5th Oct 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity 12th Oct Harvest Festival 0930 Sung Eucharist 0930 Family Eucharist 1800 Choral Evensong 1100 Morning Prayer 0930 Sung Eucharist

19th Oct 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity 26th Oct Last Sunday of Trinity

Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10.00 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17.00 Sunday School in the Village Hall Annexe 10.00 to 12.15

#### FLOWER ARRANGERS

Bubbles Love, Wendy Sinclair British Legion, Margaret Adkinson

#### **CHURCH CLEANERS**

3<sup>rd</sup> Pru Ford-Crush, Ruth Bassett, Cynthia Jackson.
10<sup>th</sup> Craster & Kathleen Patterson, Elizabeth Leighton.
17<sup>th</sup> Chris & Wendy Sinclair, Margreet Walpole.
24<sup>th</sup> Pat Wythe, Betty Jones, Pru Ford-Crush.
31<sup>st</sup> Jean Waller, Janet Simpson, Ruth Bassett.

#### HARVEST FESTIVAL

The Harvest Festival will be celebrated on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October. Donations of fruit, vegetables and tinned goods will be gratefully received at the Church early on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October. Anyone who would like to help with the decoration of the Church will be most welcome on the Saturday morning. All the produce donated will be distributed round the Village later.

Mary King.

#### HARVEST SUPPER

Plans are underway for our harvest supper to be held on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 19.00 in the Village Hall. Tickets at £5 are available from Penny Buncombe, Belle Vue, The Terrace (722359) and at Church services on Sundays. **Christine Fisher.** 

#### PARISH REGISTER

22<sup>nd</sup> August 2003

Service of Thanksgiving after cremation Brian Edeveain Dillon aged 84.

**12<sup>th</sup> September 2003** Funeral service and burial Eric Cecil Bassett aged 79.

#### LETTER FROM THE OLM

September brought great sadness to the regular worshippers of St Andrew's Church as we learnt of the death of Eric Bassett. Eric had been a regular attendee at services for many years, and had served us well as church treasurer - a post that he only relinquished earlier this year. When I started leading services and preaching, Eric would be the first to let me know how well or otherwise he could hear me at the back of church! Eric and I both subscribed to The Cricketer magazine; it was perhaps fitting that Eric's innings on earth should be completed in the same month that his favourite magazine was published for the last time. Eric's Christian faith was always apparent, and I like to imagine that he was applauded all the way into the pavilion of the Lord to join that 'great cloud of witnesses', whom the writer of the Letter to the Hebrews refers. Our love and prayers are with Ruth and her family at this time of sadness.

Because we shall be celebrating Harvest over the weekend of 10<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> October, the Luncheon Club on the 10<sup>th</sup> will be cancelled; however, you will not miss out on a meal because the Harvest Supper (with entertainment) will be held that evening.

Our Harvest services will be on 12<sup>th</sup> October; please join us at either the 09.30 Family Eucharist, or at the 18.00 Choral Evensong. Offers of produce and flowers/greenery will be most welcome.

Yours in Christ's service, **Brian Fisher**.

#### TRAIDCRAFT FASHION SHOW

As part of their support for Fair Trade, the local churches have again organized a Traidcraft Fashion Show, to be held this year at Southwold Methodist Church on 11<sup>th</sup> October at 14.30. **Christine Fisher.** 

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## KIDS' POETRY COMPETITION!

During September Walberswick Village News ran a poetry competition for children living or staying in the Village. The title for the poem was "Naughty!". We received two entries, one from Oonagh Hughes at Heathwold and the other from Jack Solloway at Hidden House. Due the high standard of both entries I have decided to divide the prize fund equally between the two joint winners. £11.00 is on its way to both Oonagh and Jack. **Well done!** 

Nice girls are always happy,

Annoying girls are often wacky,

**U**ngracious girls don't say please,

Glamorous girls show their knees,

Hostess girls have poise,

Talkative girls are full of noise,

Yet boys are forever naughty!!!!!!

Oonagh Hughes. Aged 7

#### **OLIVE LEYLAND 1910 - 2003**

Many people will have known Olive who lived in Church Field and who died peacefully in Oaklands recently. On leaving school Olive worked in a solicitors office, she married Eric in 1941 and later they ran a small independent school in Chingford. They bought a holiday home here in 1963 and upon retirement in 1975 they moved to live here permanently. When her husband died in 2000 Olive was determined not to leave the home which she loved, but the time came when she could no longer live on her own and she moved to Oaklands last December where she was very comfortable and happy until her death. All of Olive's friends will miss her very much.

Peter Avis.

#### EDWARD GEORGE HAMMOND

We would like to thank all those kind people who sent letters, cards, and flowers to us, following the death of our beloved 'Sam' Hammond. We have very much appreciated your support in our time of sadness. Thank you all. **Olive, Sarah and Libby.** 

#### SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE

Six people from the Village took part this year, raising over £600.00 between them. A big thank you to you all and to those who sat in the Church porch. **Wendy Sinclair.** 

Pour water on your sister in bed,

Or make your Mum think you're dead,

These are all great things to do,

Maybe get fake doggy doo,

Put it under your Dad as he walks,

This will be a real bore but just make,

Sure that whatever you do,

Use all the cheek you have in you.

Jack Solloway. Aged 9

#### VILLAGE FETE 2003

The proceeds from the Fete held on the 23rd August amounted to £4,700.26, another magnificent sum to be divided equally between St Andrew's Church and the Village Hall. Our thanks are due to the Fete co-ordinators Margot & Maurice Godbold, Heather Hyne & Brian Fisher, not forgetting of course the stallholders and other helpers who turn out every year, all of whom are supported by the generosity of the people of Walberswick. We have to thank visitors and villagers alike for parting with their money so readily and contributing to a wonderful afternoon. The special celebrity guest must also be thanked for opening the Fete; we understand she has now received a number of dubious offers to attend other functions! We also want to acknowledge the debt owed to Eric Bassett who acted as Fete Treasurer for many years and his role in making previous Fetes so successful. Ron Horsey.

#### NO CHANGE TO FREE BUS SERVICE

Thank you for your replies regarding the proposed bus trip to Southwold. The majority of those using the bus prefer to continue with the present arrangement, that is, first Wednesday of the month to Lowestoft and the succeeding Wednesdays to Halesworth. This service is much appreciated and the users would like to thank the Walberswick Common Lands Trust for funding this service.

Mary King.

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unannan, ricis rulu-ulusii, waliiliy welcomea Us and gave us a brief preview of the 2003/4 season. Karen Delaney, of Sole Bay Pine and Kidzklobber, then kept a record audience of 34 of us enthralled, whilst she deftly demonstrated the intricacies of CorelDraw 11.0. It was not long after studying art and textile design, that Karen found herself creating MFI illustrated assembly instructions at a traditional drawing board. However, she became intrigued by computer aided design and encouraging MFI to adopt Corel, she found it transformed the work. She later moved to Ladbrokes where, working again with CorelDraw, she ran their Graphics Bureau, producing an enormous volume of work keeping to tight deadlines. Now, working from home, Karen cannot imagine life without CorelDraw. She showed us how to design a simple cube with cut-outs by setting up a 2D grid to gain 3D perspective, and a hollow cylinder through manipulating ellipses, thickening lines to give definition, copying and flipping for symmetry and filling Councillor Hunt stated that there was concern about the to produce shading. She rendered a stunning likeness, within minutes, of a "mystery object" placed in front of her, and gave us tips and advice on transforming texts and clipart. Finally, she suggested a competition for members

# to produce their own festive posters, which she kindly Village Hall Annexe. David Todd, Chief Pharmacist at the James Paget Hospital will tell us how computers have revolutionized their pharmacy. Guests are welcome, no technical knowledge required and for further information ring 01502 722255. Kay Ungless.

agreed to propose further separate collection boxes for metal and glass. Jet Skis - The Parish Council stated that they were aware of the problems of jet skiers riding their machines close to the beach and causing danger to bathers and therefore endorsed the Harbour Master's recommendation that they should not come closer to the beach than the end of the harbour pier (about 100metres). They also supported Waveney District Council who are drawing up a by-law to include designated areas for jet skiers. Suffolk Coastal District Council are also trying to resolve the problem.

#### Speed restrictions.

The Police informed the Clerk that decisions about speed limits were undertaken by the County Council. 20mph limits had only been introduced in 'through' villages and required street lighting and humps in the road etc. sale of the caravan site at Southwold. This could have a serious impact on Walberswick. It was agreed to monitor the situation very closely.

# Affordable Housing

# interested in the scheme to obtain affordable housing in

the village, please contact the Clerk. The Council will conduct another survey if there is enough support. Vivien Hunt, Clerk to Council,

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#### Page 3 WALBERSWICK VILLAGE NEWS

### **CHURCH MATTERS**



#### **CHURCH SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER**

| 2nd<br>9th<br>9th | Nov<br>Nov<br>Nov | 4th Sunday before Advent<br>Remembrance Sunday<br>3rd Sunday before Advent | 0930 Sung Eucharist<br>1045 British Legion<br>1800 Choral |
|-------------------|-------------------|--|---|
|                   |                   |  | Evensong  |
| 16th              | Nov               | 2nd Sunday before Advent   | 1100 Morning Prayer                                       |
| 23rd              | Nov               | Christ the King  | 0930 Sung Eucharist                                       |
| 30th              | Nov               | Advent Sunday  | 0930 Sung Eucharist                                       |
|                   |                   | -  | with Blythburgh   |

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#### **FLOWER ARRANGERS**

Kathleen Patterson Remembrance Sunday. Judy Morton & British Legion - Ruth Bassett.

#### **CHURCH CLEANERS**

- 7th Diane Dawson, Mary King, Cynthia Jackson.
- 14th Craster & Kathleen Patterson, Elizabeth Leighton.
- 21st Chris & Wendy Sinclair, Pru Ford-Crush.
- 28th Pat Wythe, Betty Jones, Sue Walpole.

#### WI AGM & INHERITANCE TAX

We meet on 12th November at 14.30 in the Village Hall for our AGM and to hear a talk on inheritance tax and ways to stop the government taking our money! Peter Jordan's lecture last month about mushrooms was of enormous interest. We now have a chart to identify 31 edible mushrooms and 15 poisonous caps. We were told that mushrooms should always be picked fully open , cutting through the stems and cleaning your knife each time. **Julia Josephs.** 

#### PARISH REGISTER

#### 6<sup>th</sup> October 2003

Funeral service and burial. Daisy Olive Leyland aged 93.

#### 18th September 2003

Death. Harold (Sunny) Cross (Formerly of Walberswick) aged 101.

#### LETTER FROM THE OLM

It is very appropriate that I begin this month's letter by saying 'thank you' for several things to many people. Firstly, thank you to all those who sent good wishes to me for my ordination as a priest; in one sense I am now the finished article, in others I can assure you that I am not. Secondly, thank you to all those who helped to make our Harvest Supper such a great success; it would be invidious of me to pick out individuals but I am sure that those who were present on that October Friday evening would have found the entertainment provided by our team vicar, Graham Owen, and his wife, Mary, a revelation. Thirdly, many thanks to all those who helped to make our Harvest Services such joyful occasions whether it was being involved in the preparations beforehand, or in the actual services.

On 2nd November, at 15.00 at St Margaret's Church, Reydon, shall hold our annual team All Souls Memorial Service, to which relatives and friends of all those who have died in recent years are invited; please feel free to come and to bring any friends who have suffered recent bereavements.

On 14<sup>th</sup> November, at 12.30, our Luncheon Club will take place in the Village Hall; that will be combined with a Traidcraft Day, which will be held in the Hall Annex between 10.00 and 18.00, when there will once again be an opportunity to purchase fairly traded goods.

With thanks to God for all his goodness toward us. Brian Fisher.

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| COOPER & DENNY<br>Builders and Contractors<br>MOUNT PLEASANT. REYDON<br>01502 723366 (Fax 724866)  | 7th November<br>8th November                                   | Remembrance Sunday Service Rehearsal (Walberswick)<br>14.30, St Andrew's.<br>Royal British Legion Coffee Morning and Bazaar -<br>Village Hall 10.00 to 12.00.   |  |
| Personal Attention .<br>Estimates Free   | 9th November<br>14th November                                  | Remembrance Sunday Service. St Andrew's, Walberswick 10.45.<br>Luncheon Club, Village Hall 10.00 - 12.00.<br>Traidcraft day. Village Hall Annexe 10.00 - 18.00.   |  |
| BARRY HAWES<br>FRIDGE & FREEZER REPAIRS ANY<br>MAKE. <b>ALSO:</b> <i>De-humidifiers Air</i><br><i>Conditioners.</i><br>ALL WORK GUARANTEED<br>01502-677487 | 15thNovember17thNovember6thDecember13thDecember5,6,7thFebruary | Village Scroll videos on sale, Village Hall 10.00 to 12.00<br>Royal British Legion AGM - Village Hall 19.30.<br>Cancer Research Mini-Market. Village Hall 10:00 12:00.<br>Walberswick Local History Group, Christmas Celebration,<br>Village Hall.<br>Snow White - Walberswick's Pantomime. |  |

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**BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY** 

Russell was born and brought up in Aldeburgh. In 1947, practising as an architect in Beccles, he built White Cottage in Walberswick where he lived with his wife Marjorie. He was a Blyth District Councillor, a member and chairman of Walberswick Common Lands Charity and a sidesman at St Andrew's Church. Russell enjoyed holidays at home and abroad but always loved his native Suffolk. Widowed in the 1970's he married Pam Robinson in 1981 and they had four happy years together. Always a keen gardener he latterly became an enthusiastic cook. When the house and garden became a worry to him he decided to move to a flat in Cornwall with his friend, Marion. Still able to use his car, he got about to see new countryside. The view from the balcony over Falmouth Bay provided endless interest with all the shipping. Several friends from Suffolk visited him in Cornwall. In June this year he and Marion had a packed week in Southwold and Walberswick seeing all of their friends. Typically Russell wanted no fuss, no funeral, no flowers, just a remembrance service at of chemotherapy drugs. On-line sources of information are Walberswick Church, followed by a party for all of his friends, (which will be in the new year, date to be announced.)

Toby & Kate Robinson.

#### SAVE THE CHILDREN COFFEE MORNING

We are delighted with the final sum raised: £681. Sincere thanks to all who supported the event in so many ways. Val Anderson.

#### **CANCER RESEARCH UK**

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to Cancer Research UK in memory of Eric. A magnificent total of £658 was raised from donations and church collections. Ruth Bassett.

#### THANKS FROM BETTY FISK

I would like to thank all who remembered me on my 90th birthday. E. Fisk.

#### **CAR PARKS**

In partnership, the Trustees of WCLCT and the Board of Walberswick Car Parks Ltd deem it vital to isolate sections of both Ferry Road and Cliff Field Car Parks over the winter period in order to protect and preserve the ground, and to minimise subsequent maintenance repairs and their costs. Disruption will be limited but this opportunity is taken to apologise for any inconvenience caused. Gerald Tooley. Chairman WCPL.

Despite a blustery November evening, a near-capacity group of members came to hear our November speaker. David Todd is the Principal Pharmacist of the James Paget Healthcare NHS Trust and we found ourselves spellbound as we listened to the intricacies and difficulties surrounding the gradual introduction of IT into such a large department. The James Paget pharmacy employs 45 people. They supply seven hospitals in East Anglia, 90% of child vaccines to GP's surgeries, 800 to 1,000 items per day and spend £4,000,000 per year. It was in the late 1980's that they introduced the first PCs into the Pharmacy Support Services for labelling and the first expert systems. The recording of key pieces of data contained on a label are not just for the patient's benefit, but vital to the entire operation. The expert systems, for instance, can define the quantity of intravenous feed required for a premature baby based on the number of weeks of gestation, weight, etc. or, given a particular patient, will quantify the correct dose vital for the pharmacy. The Department of Health no longer issues any updates and it is up to the pharmacist to monitor the DOH website. The future speaks of more automation; indeed both the Hammersmith and Charing Cross hospitals already barcode their patients. Finally, we were shown a short film of a Dutch Chemist's, where it took precisely 16 seconds from receipt of the prescription over the counter, to the robotic delivery of the correct medicine.

Our next meeting will be on Friday, 9th January, at 7.00pm in the Village Hall Annexe. Robert Temple, BT's Chief Security Architect, will talk about his worldwide travels, advising industry how to protect against hackers and viruses. Guests are welcome, no technical knowledge is required and for further information ring 01502 722255. Kay Ungless.



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#### WALBERSWICK COMMON LANDS TRUST

**Report from August & October meetings.** Mrs K Goodchild has agreed to join the Board of Management of the Village News. New signs will be erected next summer in an effort to stop vehicles parking on the track by the Went Bridge. The Trust will be sponsoring a Christmas party for village children; for details please contact Jacqui Morcombe (724451) who has kindly volunteered to organise the event. A new threeyear contract for the sale of ice creams on the car parks has been agreed. A new ten-year lease for the Print Room has been signed. Jayne Tibbles. *Clerk to the Trustees.* 

**FITNESS CLASSES** 

Classes take place every Tuesday at 9.30 a.m. in the Village Hall. Yvonne Proctor gives us a full body workout and men and women are very welcome. The last class before Christmas is on 16th December. We begin again on 6th January.

Jenny Cardwell.

#### NOVEMBER 5TH FIREWORK SPECTACULAR

I curse the villains of Wahlbertwyc. Centuries after the infamous attempt to destroy the seat of British democracy, my co-plotters and I see the enjoyment of all on the anniversary of my dastardly plot and have to express our admiration to those responsible. Too many to name individually, the plethora of entertainments, excitement, spectacular shows and hearty food of the realm should make all of Her Majesty's subjects grateful to the organisers, particularly the Thain that struggled from his sick bed that foul November night committed to make mirth, enjoyment and jollity for all - we salute you Sir Philip, as we salute the Lords Webb; the serving wenches Mandy, Pamela, Naomi; their vilenesses Whisk-of-Fiske, Ben-of-Sutton, Paul-the-interloper; and so many more. Although in the year 1605 we sought to destroy, we are pleased to note that 398 years later our ancestors agreed it necessary not to light the huge bonfire for fear of damaging property within Walberswick. M'lords, ladies, gentlemen and Wally, we unreservedly salute you all. Fuy Gawkes. (This has nothing to do with me! Ed.)



No, our tree's in the hall that's just a pile of wrapping paper



#### THE PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

Planning - The Councillors unanimously opposed an application for the erection of a side extension to the existing dwelling and a two-storey linked annexe building to rear at 2, Anchor Cottages, The Street, on the grounds that this is a traditional country cottage situated in a Conservation Area and this extension would completely change its character turning it into a substantial urban-like development. The footprint of the extension is at least 4-5 times greater than the footprint of the original cottage and therefore totally unacceptable in a Conservation Area. The Parish Councillors also opposed the relocation of vehicular access towards the east boundary at De Cressey's Restaurant, The Street, because the access would be moving to a point where the road is at its narrowest. This would mean that there would be three accesses within a space of ten metres. Also moving the access would involve breaching an old cobbled wall which is an attractive feature within the Conservation Area. Suffolk Coastal had no objections to works to the following: three Beech trees at Millcroft, Millfield Road, a Sycamore at Hidden House, three Holm Oaks at Far End, Millfield Road and the removal of a Eucalyptus tree at St. Francis, Seven Acres Lane. Affordable Housing in the Village. There has only been one reply to the notice placed in last month's Village News. If anybody is interested please write to the Clerk. Sea Defence meeting with the Environment Agency. Mr K Webb reported that Mr Stan Jeavons from the Environment Agency held the meeting with members of the Parish Council and the Trust; Mr Andrew Blois also attended. It has been agreed that the handrail would be removed from the existing timber boardwalk at the landward end of the structure. Some material would be needed to build up the surrounding ground level of the boardwalk to make it less obtrusive. The remainder of the structure would be retained. The alignment would continue over the dune from the base of the existing boardwalk using railway sleepers. However, should these cause a problem from the point of pollution, alternatives would be investigated. The dune erosion in front of the beachhuts was also discussed and the fencing of the area would be progressed and marram grass planted in the Spring. After discussion the Parish Council had no objections in principle to a fish and chip van calling in the Village for two hours on a Friday evening. The Carol Service around the tree will take place on Monday 22nd December at 7pm. Mincepies and drinks in the Village Hall afterwards. Vivien Hunt, Clerk to PC.

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## **CHURCH MATTERS**



#### CHURCH SERVICES FOR DECEMBER

| 7th  | Dec | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun' of Advent    | 0930 Sung Eucharist       |
|------|-----|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 14th | Dec | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun' of Advent    | 0930 Family Eucharist     |
|      |     |                                   | 1800 Choral Evensong      |
| 21st | Dec | 4 <sup>th</sup> Sun' of Advent    | 0930 Sung Eucharist       |
|      |     |                                   | 1800 Service of Lessons & |
|      |     |                                   | Carols by Candlelight     |
| 24th | Dec | Christmas Eve                     | 1600 Crib Service         |
| 25th | Dec | Christmas Day                     | 0930 Family Eucharist     |
| 28th | Dec | 1 <sup>st</sup> Sun' of Christmas | 0930 Sung Eucharist       |

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#### **FLOWER ARRANGERS**

No flowers in Advent

#### **CHURCH CLEANERS**

5<sup>th</sup> Janet Simpson, Mary King, Cynthia Jackson.

12<sup>th</sup> Diane Dawson, Jean Waller, Ruth Bassett.

#### LESSONS AND CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

We look forward to welcoming everyone to this year's Christmas Carol Service on December 21<sup>st</sup> at 6.00pm. Come and join in singing all your favourite carols in our beautiful candlelit Church. **Julia Josephs.** 

#### **CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS 2003**

As well as the large Christmas tree in the church porch, the special Nativity and Epiphany scenes with landscapes and figures made by local artists will also be on display on the window sills. **Julia Josephs.** 

#### WI CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES

Our Christmas Party is on December 10<sup>th</sup> when we look forward to seeing every member. There will be music, carols, poems and sketches as well as a scrumptious tea! Please make a note of Wednesday January 21<sup>st</sup> 2004 for the New Year luncheon which will be held at The Wentworth Hotel in Aldeburgh. At the AGM in November I am pleased to report that all the committee members were willing to stand again. We also had a brief talk on Inheritance Tax. **Julia Josephs.** 

#### PARISH REGISTER

5<sup>th</sup> November 2003 Funeral service Douglas George Webber aged 89

#### LETTER FROM THE OLM

Christmas is coming, it's official! I am not sure that the goose is getting fat but the turkeys definitely will be! Preparations for Christmas do seem to get earlier every year - or am I just getting older and it has always been like that? Before we get to Christmas, we go through the four weeks of Advent which, historically, is when the Church's year begins and when we think about both the first coming of Jesus Christ to this earth and of his promise that he will return one day. What have we got to look forward to in the build up to the festive season? On 10<sup>th</sup> December, 7.00 p.m., at St Edmunds Church Southwold, there will be a special service organised by and in aid of Marie Curie Nurses. On 12<sup>th</sup> December, 12.30 p.m, in our Village Hall, we shall have the Christmas Luncheon Club (including a glass of wine). At 4.00 pm. on Christmas Eve there will be a Crib Service in our village church, to which all families will be warmly welcomed. On Christmas morning we shall be celebrating Christ's first coming with a Family Eucharist. In his poem, Christmas, John Betjeman wrote these words:

'And is it true? And is it true, This most tremendous tale of all Seen in a stained-glass window's hue, A baby in an ox's stall? The Maker of the stars and sea Become a Child on earth for me?' A happy and peaceful Christmas to you all, Brian Fisher.

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