

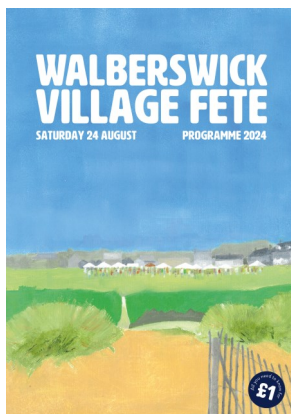
Walberswick Village News

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Classic shenanigans at the Village Fete

Join us for a day filled with laughter, fun and nostalgia at the Walberswick Village Fete on Saturday, 24 August on the bank holiday weekend. Look forward to fun family games, great food, live music, the usual stalls, and try your luck at winning one of many amazing prizes in the grand raffle.

The **dog show** registration will begin at 10am with the dog show itself starting at 11am. This year, it will be compered by returning guest, **Jane Leonard**, along with **Marie Ruth**, and judged by **Paul Heiney**. So bring those pups along and get those tails wagging.



Everything you need to know about fete day can be found in the **fete programme**. They will be on sale for £1 at the Tuck Shop, the Parish Lantern and the Black Dog Deli. The front-cover artwork has been created and donated by village artist, **Peter Wagstaff**. Bid for the original artwork in the **Silent Auction** on fete day or by emailing Sheila Parry at parry.sheila@gmail.com in advance.

Don't forget to buy your **raffle tickets**. We have a myriad of great prizes. The raffle tickets will be on sale from 15 August at the Tuck Shop, the Parish Lantern, and the Black Dog Deli.

Before the fete begins, we still have some work to do. The Fete Committee will be holding a **stallholders meeting** on 5 August at 7pm in the Village Hall. We need as many stallholders and volunteers as possible to attend this meeting so we can sort out any loose ends and continue to get ourselves organised.

As always, the stalls need your **donations**. Items for the white elephant, books, bottle tombola, kitchenware, cakes and preserves, plants, nearly new clothing, accessories, pictures and prints will be welcomed. Cakes and baked goods are also needed for the Village Hall Cafe. Stallholder contact details can be found in the insert.

Everyone has been so kind and generous over the last few months to help bring this year's fete together. None of this would be possible without you. We cannot **thank you enough**. **Mitchell Pocock. Fete Chair**

NOTE

- * There will be no Norwich bus in August
- * Family Bingo dates are 14 & 21 August

The Tuck Shop raises money for the Rural Coffee Caravan



The fabulous team at the Tuck Shop recently entertained customers with their Mad Hatter's Tea Party themed fundraiser in support of Rural Coffee Caravan, which helps rurally isolated people in Suffolk. The Coffee Caravan also visited on the day. Fundraising is on-going, with £600 already accrued. Please do pop your donations in the collection bucket when next you visit. **Editor**

The Walberswick Trekkers are raising funds for Alzheimer's

The Walberswick Trekkers are raising funds for the Alzheimer's Society by taking part in the 13-mile Suffolk Coast Walk on Saturday, 3 August. Huge thanks to all who have already sponsored us. If you have not yet had the opportunity to make a donation, however big or small, your support will be gratefully received by the Alzheimer's Society to help them work towards a world where dementia no longer devastates lives. Please visit our Just Giving page at www.justgiving.com/fundraising/walberswick-trekkers-2024.

The Walberswick Trekkers are: Angie Power, Anne Critchlow, Esther Smith, Gary Kingshott, Guy Parry, Håkan Brewitz, Isabella Knight, Jan Etherington, Jeremy Solnick, John Wardell, Liz Green, Pete Wagstaff, Phil Smith, Sandra Sutton, and Sara Solnick. **Guy Parry**

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Walberswick Common Lands Charity

Like so many green spaces and gardens, the Walberswick Common Lands Charity's lands have seen a surge in all types of vegetation growth this month as the rain finally combined with heat. It is proving a challenge to maintain access, clear signage, free young shrubs/trees and clear seating areas. Fortunately more resource has become available, so some inroads should be possible.

In the next few weeks, the weevils will be released to deal with the Azolla and the foot drains for breeding waders will be created. Both should happen in the wet grassland dykes and meadows, and there will be some clearance of bracken on the dry heath. This is quite

challenging as the chemical used in previous years has gone off licence and there are logistical issues around simply rolling the bracken. The contractor is very experienced and a two year plan is evolving.

Vanessa Tucker, Environmental Stewardship Trustee

The Walberswick Common Lands Charity (WCLC) has now published its Annual Report and Accounts for 2023. This is the most comprehensive account of the Charity's activities for last year. You can find it in the WCLC section of the village website under Policies and Reports.

Matthew Wetmore, Clerk

Walberswick Parish Council

Grass Cutting

The Parish Council is pleased to announce that the contractual issues that have resulted in the grass in the village to be left uncut this year are now resolved. The problems came about because of a change of provider when East Suffolk District Council (ESDC) transferred the contract last year to a new (wholly owned by ESDC) subsidiary and the contract for Walberswick did not get properly transferred between the two. A new, much more appropriate, contract has now been signed with East Suffolk Services and an emergency cut of the whole village has already been done, with monthly cuts now planned for the rest of the year, including just before the fete and annual cricket match. It will also

now be much easier for the Parish Council to arrange extra cuts as required, which has long been needed. The Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to thank the whole village for its forbearance while this was sorted out, and particular thanks are due to all those that helped by using their own equipment and time to keep at least some of the key areas of the village cut in the interim – we are very grateful to you.

Next Parish Council meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 9 September at 7pm in the Heritage Hut and is open to members of the public. Full details will be published on the village website or, for further information, contact the Parish Clerk at clerk@walberswick-pc.gov.uk.

Horticulture and Culinary Show results

Wow Walberswick! You answered the cry for more participation in this year's Horticultural and Culinary Show. The number of entrants doubled from last year to a total of 45, and the entries nearly doubled as well to a total of 274. The judges were both impressed with the quantity and quality of the items on display. The culinary judge especially enjoyed tasting all of the homemade liqueurs. It seems this was a favourite addition to the schedule this year, being the most popular category with 10 entries. Hmm, does that say something about the village?! The committee would like to thank everyone who participated this year as well as all who attended the viewing in the afternoon and purchased raffle tickets and tea/coffee/cakes. It was a wonderful social afternoon with the sun shining on us. We look forward to seeing all of you next year and perhaps with the addition of a friend or two. **Betsy Lemmon**

🌸 Winyard Cup for the Man - Chris Hosea 🌸 Iris Blois Memorial Cup for the Woman - Suzzie Godfrey 🌸 Marian Beard Flower Cup - Diana Wright 🌸 Flower

Bowl - Helen Riches 🌸 CC Gold Cup - Suzzie Godfrey 🌸 Whittenbury Victor Ludorum - Suzzie Godfrey 🌸 Harvey Memorial Trophy - Suzzie Godfrey 🌸 David Webb Memorial Trophy - Gordon Beard 🌸 Best in Show (for Harvey Memorial Display) - Suzzie Godfrey 🌸 Rice Crispy Cakes (under 10s) - Winston Whiting 🌸 Rice Crispy Cakes(11-16s) - Cherry Sutton 🌸 Face on a Plate (11-16s) - Cherry Sutton 🌸 Design of next year's Poster - Cherry Sutton.



From all of us, a big thank you to everyone who organised the Horticulture and Culinary Show. It was a great success this year. It was very well attended with the tea and cakes enjoyed by many, unlike last year when it clashed with Latitude. The introduction of new culinary categories is always positive, particularly ones that appeal to young, keen home chefs. I think a fermented category may be calling. **Tracey Gardiner**

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Planning applications

At the time of publication, the following properties were awaiting a decision:

The Pink House (formerly Box Bush), Seven Acres Lane | **Pebbles**, The Lea | **Millcroft**, Millfield Rd (trees) | **Shorelands**, Palmers Lane | **Longshore**, The Street | **Herons**, Church Field

The latest applications & Advisory Group Reports, can be found on the Walberswick [website](#).

Walberswick Wildlife Watch survey update

Wildlife surveys continue in support of Walberswick Against LionLink (WALL). We have almost sampled all bat survey locations, and will start to do repeats soon. There have been further records of the rarer Barbastelle bat, and confirmation of Nathusius' pipistrelle.

Reptile surveys of the Manor and Track Fields have yielded some wonderful colour variations in the adder population. We will be extending the survey north of Lodge Road at the beginning of August.

We are planning some moth-trapping sessions around Manor Field, and other wildlife surveys. As always, please volunteer if you would like to be involved and we don't already know. **Matthew Denny** 07973 462948.

St Andrew's Church survey

St Andrew's Church Council is keen to explore new ways to connect and serve our community. We have produced a survey, which we will shortly be distributing to everyone in the village, to help us find out how we can be a church for the whole community, residents and visitors alike, and shape the church's future.

We would be grateful if you would complete the anonymous survey and return it to the collection points at the back of the church or at the Co-op. Alternatively, the survey can be completed online at forms.gle/tuWikZAgaz2jUiNd9. **Joanna Saunders**

Diary Dates

Summer Club for Kids

Thursdays 1, 8, 15 & 22 August, 9am - 5.30pm in the Village Hall

For children aged 5-12 years old, the Summer Club is run by Premier Holiday Camps and supported by the Walberswick Common Lands Charity. For more information and to book, please contact **Hannah Sutton** at hannahsutton2013@hotmail.com.

When the Sea Comes In

Saturday and Sunday, 3 & 4 August, 10am-3.30pm in the Heritage Hut

Pop-up exhibition on the Great East Coast Flood of 1953 and the impacts of flooding along the coastline. **Caroline Wright**

Fete stallholders meeting

Monday 5 August, 7pm in the Village Hall

Stallholders briefing on logistics, layout, card readers, etc. **Mitchell Pocock**

Family Bingo

Wednesdays 14 & 21 August, 5.30pm in the Village Hall

Doors open at 5.30pm and play starts at 6pm sharp. All the usual snacks and drinks will be available. Cash only event. **Village Hall Committee**

Walberswick Village Fete

Saturday, 24 August, 11am-4pm at the Village Hall and on the Village Green

See the insert for full details. **Mitchell Pocock**

Informal family service in the ruins

Sunday 25 August, 11.15am at St Andrew's Church

Songs of Praise in the ruins of St Andrew's. Musicians are encouraged to bring their instruments along to accompany the hymns. Coffee and pastries at 10.45am. **Stephanie Ranouf**

Friends of St Andrew's concert

Thursday 29 August, 6pm in St Andrew's Church

Our next concert will see the return of Nonny and the Blackshore, an eclectic ensemble of local folk musicians. Tickets are £10 each and are available at the Tuck Shop or from the Friends of St Andrew's website www.friendsofstandrews.org.uk. **Clive Brynley-Jones**

Walberswick Local History Group talk

Saturday 28 September, 7pm in the Village Hall

Bob Jellicoe will discuss his book, *Shorelines*, with special reference to Walberswick, including stories told to him by William English and Dinks Cooper. To reserve places, members should email Edward Wright at ewright123@btinternet.com. £5 for guest tickets. **Harriet Wilson**

Church Matters

St Andrew's Church Walberswick

Team Rector

Revd Russ Gant

russ.gant@solebayteamministry.co.uk
solebayteamministry.co.uk

August 2024 Services

Sunday, 4 August 11.15am

Sung Eucharist

Sunday, 11 August 6pm

Choral Evensong
Summer Sunday

Sunday, 18 August 11.15am

Sung Eucharist

Sunday, 25 August 11.15am

Informal Family Service
10.45am coffee and pastries
In the ruins of St Andrew's

Every Wednesday 10am

Holy Communion

Coffee on first Wednesday

Commemorative Flowers

4 August - Joanna Saunders for her parents, Gordon & Doris Hoare

11 August - Christine & Brian Fisher for Monica & Alan Old

25 August - Inger & Harry Edwards for Anna Edwards

Parish Register

22 June - Wedding: Paul Fletcher & Catherine Werrett

23 July - Burial of Ashes:
Terence Friars

Community Services

Mobile Library: Friday,
16 August 2.15pm-2.45pm,
Village Hall car park.

Norwich Bus: There is no bus in August. The next trip will be on Thursday, 19 September. Please contact Mandy Erlenbach on 07590 697575 to book a place.

Mobile Post Office: Wednesdays
12 noon to 1pm in the Village Hall carpark.

VISIT THE VILLAGE WEBSITE

WALBERSWICK.SUFFOLK.GOV.UK

The next edition of the Village News will be published on 1 September 2024. The copy deadline is noon on 25 August 2024 and submissions should be sent to the editor at walberswicknews@gmail.com.

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Walberswick Village Fete Saturday 24th August 2024

Preparations for this year's Village Fete are well under way and your Fete Committee this year are Mitchell Pocock, Emilie Dadswell, Harriet Wilson, Karen Maxwell and Simon Ethell. There will be all the classic stalls you know and love, wonderful food, live music, a grand raffle and games for all ages.

Fete programmes as well as raffle tickets can be bought in advance from the Tuck Shop, the Parish Lantern and the Black Dog Deli from 14th August. The Fete gets under way with the Dog Show at 11am. This year we welcome the great Denis King to open the Fete at 13.00. Profits from all Fete activities will be divided between St Andrew's Church, Walberswick Village Hall and our Local Food Bank, with a 40/40/20 split respectively.

10:00	Fun Dog Show Registration Opens – Behind the Village Hall*
11:00	Breakfast BBQ stall opens – Village Hall Car Park
11:00	Fun Dog Show Begins – Behind the Village Hall
12:30-16:00	Village Hall Café Opens – Sandwiches, Snacks, Cakes, Drinks
12:30	BBQ moved to the Village Green Opening Parade from the Village Hall Car Park Live Music on the Village Green begins
12:45	Official Opening of the Fete by Denis King
12:50	Fete Attractions Open
14:00-15:30	Traditional races, games, and Tug-O-War on the Village Green
15:30	Grand Raffle Draw
16:00	Fete Closes

*Dog Show registration forms will be available before the day from the Walberswick Tuck Shop. Dogs entered at their owners' risk.

Thank you to all those who have volunteered. Without you this fete could not happen. But there are stalls that still need your help with donations that are clean and in good condition. And if you would like to help out with setting up and taking down things on the day, please contact Simon on 07909560006

Stall	Holder	Contact	Descriptions
Book Stall	Jacki Neeves	07399580202	Books
Garden Stall	Helen Riches	07532323944	Cuttings, plants, garden ornaments, home-grown vegetables
Finishing Touches	Sue Green	722347	Jewellery, hats, handbags, scarf's, accessories
Cakes and Preserves	Karen Maxwell	07788926186	Wrapped cakes, biscuits, jams - labelled
Nearly New	Inger Edwards	07747808405	Any clothes in good condition
Lunches & Teas	Lorry Haslegrave	07845912867	Cakes to the Village Hall on Fete day morning
Bottle Tombola	Ollie Wigdahl	07775600540	Full bottles donated by 22 August please
Kitchen Cupboard	Mandy Erlenbach	07590697575	Crockery, glass, cutlery, pans
Original Art Fair	Pat Lancaster	07776343877	Original painting and prints
White Elephant	Diane Knight	07754127097	Anything "sellable"
Hamper Raffle	Rita Woodcraft	07796475350	Any hamper items

If you have any questions or require any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Mitchell on 07745391711

From the Fete Committee, we thank you.

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