

# VILLAGE NEWS



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## CANCER RESEARCH MINI MARKET

This event will be held on Saturday 3 December from 10am to 12 noon in the Village Hall. Entry is £1.50 which includes tea and biscuits. Please come along and support this worthy cause. Donations for the following stalls are urgently needed: Silent Auction, Cakes & Food, Books, Fancy Goods, Bottle Tombola, Bric-a-brac, Raffle, Things for Kids, and Christmas decorations. I also have Cancer Research Christmas cards for sale; contact me if you want to see them.

**Betsy Lemmon (722384)**

## CHRISTMAS CARDS IN THE VILLAGE

Following on from last year's successful scheme, we are again encouraging you to make a donation instead of delivering cards locally. This year our nominated charity will be *Cancer Research UK*. There will be a list to sign and donation box in the Tuck Shop from early December. Last year it raised over £220 for charity (and saved some paper!).

**Pru & Piers Ford-Crush (722255)**

**Vivien & Alvin Hunt (723142)**

## BONFIRE NIGHT

Many thanks to all those who helped to make our Bonfire Celebration on November 5 a great success again. Total receipts from the collection and food sales during the display, plus donations in the tin kindly hosted by the Tuck Shop, amounted to nearly **£900**. Thanks to all those who made a contribution, to the Common Lands Charity for the use of Cliff Field and to the Parish Council for insurance cover. In the last two years expenditure has been greater than receipts, but this year's donations should not only cover all costs but also enable some money to be put into the reserve fund held in a Building Society account.

**The Bonfire Committee.**

## A WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Shirley and Freddie Eade celebrated their Golden Wedding on 21 October. They thank everyone who sent them good wishes, cards and flowers – and we mark the occasion because they were the very last couple to be married in the old Congregational Chapel. A piece of Walberswick history!

**Editor**

## THE WIND IN THE WILLOWS

A dramatization, with enchanting songs, of Kenneth Grahame's classic tale of river-bank animals – wise old Badger, kindly Ratty, gentle Mole and conceited, boastful and bossy Toad - whose crazes for caravanning and motorcars land in him in all sorts of trouble. Music by Dennis King.

**Performances : 1- 4 February 2012 at 7.30pm** with a Matinee on **Sunday 5 February at 2.30pm** in the Village Hall. Tickets on sale at The Tuck Shop, from 20 December; also from Jean Waller (**07889452822**) Adults £10 (Sat £12) Children £5

## NOVEMBER 5TH

Our bonfire is an annual source of joy  
To gardeners who dump their autumn load,  
And sparkling showers thrill every girl and boy  
As rockets soaring in the sky explode.  
Our thanks to those who work for this success,  
And later clear up the resulting mess;  
You give us all a memorable day,  
A splendid pyrotechnical display! GG

## A CHRISTMAS QUIZ...

...will be held at The Bell on Friday 2 December at 8pm. Bangers and mash will be served in the interval. We hope to see you there.

**Ben Cardwell**

## VILLAGE NEWS ADVERTISEMENTS

Bookings for these are now due: a back page advert is £30 for 12 months running from January. Current advertisers should re-book as soon as possible.

**Deadline for 2012 adverts is December 12.**

Please contact the Advertising Manager:

**Louise Kadan (722000) loukadan@hotmail.co.uk**

All copy by 8pm on the 15th of each month to Julia Reisz at the Old Tea Room The Green Walberswick IP18 6TU. E-mail: julinka@werthimer.fsnet.co.uk Telephone: 01502 723275

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 7 NOVEMBER 2011

**Planning matters:** Suffolk Coastal District Council has given conservation area consent to the demolition of a workshop to the rear of **Bunbury Cottage, The Street**. In respect of plot 1, to the north of **Alexandra Cottage**, it has refused permission to vary a condition which restricts permitted development rights for extensions, alterations and outbuildings of the proposed house. The Parish Council raised no objection to the application for the retention of a boiler flue on a barn at **The Stables, The Street**. It also had no objection to an application to erect extensions and alterations at **Little Meadow, The Street**.

**Councillors Crocker and Aldridge have resigned**, due to pressure of commitments outside the village. The Council will miss both of them.

**The Post Office** has asked for suggestions on reinstating a service in Walberswick. If there is a business in the village that feels it could host a **Post Office Essentials** service in its premises, and would like more information, please contact Wendy Hamilton at 07753905010 or [wendy.hamilton@postoffice.co.uk](mailto:wendy.hamilton@postoffice.co.uk)

**The Council's Communications:** A protocol on styles and methods was agreed, and will be available shortly on the website and notice boards.

**Sat navs:** it is possible to correct these via a website, to prevent them directing HGVs along unsuitable roads such as Short Lane. If there are any others in the village please let Cllr Hunt know before 15 January, after which he will be making the corrections.

**Saxmundham and Framlingham Safer Neighbourhood Team:** The village needs a representative to attend the tasking meeting held every two months. This meeting with the local police discusses issues of local importance. If you are able to volunteer please contact the Clerk.

**Suffolk County Council's Draft Budget Proposals:** comments may be sent to [www.suffolk.gov.uk/WeAreListening](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/WeAreListening) **Waveney District Council's Draft Built Heritage and Design Supplementary Planning Document** covers the conservation area on the Walberswick side of the harbour: comments should be sent to [www.consult.waveney.gov.uk](http://www.consult.waveney.gov.uk). The document is available to download or for inspection at Southwold Library.

**Carols Around The Christmas Tree** followed by mince pies in the Village Hall for everyone will be held on Monday 19 December.

**Requests for Information:** during the course of October the Clerk worked for approximately 36 hours dealing with requests for information from a small number of people in the village. She is also dealing with the Information Commissioner's Office on complaints from the same group of people. The Council is statutorily obliged to deal with these matters and it is now posing a serious financial problem for the Council. The cost to the Council between July and October has been £1,093.

**Jane Gomm, Clerk to Council** (01502 723294, [wpcclerk@btinternet.com](mailto:wpcclerk@btinternet.com))

### BEWARE OF SCAM

As we approach Christmas criminals are getting to work on various "scams" to trick you out of your money - so be alert. If you receive strange unexpected phone calls - **just put the phone down**. Another possible scam (reported last year) is a card through the letter box asking you to ring a certain number to arrange a parcel delivery - **do not ring the number** unless you were expecting a delivery and are sure the card is from a legitimate delivery service: otherwise you are liable to lose a large sum of money  
**David Webb**

### STAMPS FOR ST ELIZABETH HOSPICE

Thanks to all who have been putting their used stamps in the box at The Tuck Shop. You have filled four large shoe boxes, which I have taken to the centre. Remember to save your Christmas stamps this year. Thank you again.

**Jill Whittenbury**

### SAVE THE CHILDREN

Selling books from my gate has raised £720 for East African relief. Thanks for all the support.

**Val Anderson**

### WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

**CANCER RESEARCH MINI MARKET** Saturday 3rd 10-12 Village Hall  
**LUNCHEON CLUB** Friday 9th 12.30pm Village Hall (Please book)  
**MOBILE LIBRARY** Fridays 2nd 16th & 3 1.55-3.15pm The Green  
**NORWICH BUS** Thursday 15th 9.30 (Ring 724763 to book)  
**KEEP FIT** Tuesdays Stretch 9.15-10.15, Tone 10.30-11.30 Village Hall

VISIT THE VILLAGE WEBSITE: [www.onesuffolk.co.uk/walberswickpc](http://www.onesuffolk.co.uk/walberswickpc)

## WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

**Thursday 1 December** will be our Christmas meeting. Members and invited guests should arrive at the Village Hall at 12.30 for lunch at 1pm. After lunch Sidi Scott will entertain us with her show *The Letters of Joyce Grenfell*. It will be a fun afternoon!  
**Irene Prince**

## APPRECIATION

We would like to thank all those who have sent sympathy cards and letters of support after the recent sad loss of our daughter Honor. .

**Faith & Pete Blackman**

## CHURCH MATTERS

### ST ANDREW'S CHURCH WALBERSWICK

**Team Rector**

Revd Simon Pitcher (725424)

[revsimon@talktalk.net](mailto:revsimon@talktalk.net)

**Ordained Local Minister**

Revd Brian Fisher (723023)

**Church Wardens:** Christine Fisher (723023)

Christine Reeves (723351)

### DECEMBER SERVICES

- 4 Advent 2 1100 Parish Eucharist  
Celebrant The Revd Peter Trendall
- 11 Advent 3 0930 Parish Eucharist  
Celebrant The Revd Simon Pitcher  
ALSO 1800 Choral Evensong  
Preacher The Revd Peter Trendall
- 18 Advent 4 1100 Parish Eucharist  
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
- 22 Nine Lessons & Carols by Candlelight 1800**  
**conducted by The Revd Simon Pitcher**
- 24 Christmas Eve 1630 Crib Service**  
**conducted by The Revd Brian Fisher**
- 25 Christmas Day 0930 Parish Eucharist**  
**Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher**
- Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)  
(not Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> December)
- Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662 (said)  
Wednesday (7<sup>th</sup>) Healing Service with CW (said)

### O HOLY NIGHT!

This lovely carol by Adolphe Adam is one of the eight carols to be sung by choir and congregation in our Church at the **Candlelit Service on Thursday 22 December at 6 o'clock**. The choir are enthusiastically rehearsing Rutter's jolly *Shepherd's Pipe Carol*, also *A Virgin Most Pure* and Sally Beamish's beautiful carol, *In the Stillness*. The service will include two poems as well as traditional Lessons.

**Julia Josephs**

## NEW GATES AT ST ANDREWS

The new gates were dedicated following the Service of Remembrance on Sunday 13 November 2011 and witnessed by about 90 people, including relatives of those named on the gates. The gates were made by Clive Jackson, a craftsman living in the village, and feature the names of those who fell in the Second World War.. They are a copy of those installed following that war which, after approximately sixty years, had become rather dilapidated - although the original hinges have been restored and reused. We believe that the original gates were made by Leighton Block, a craftsman living in the village at that time, members of whose family still live here. He was Judy Morton's uncle and it seems very fitting that Brian and Judy facilitated the carving of the names on the new gates.

**Christine Mitchell (Churchwarden)**

### LETTER FROM THE OLM (Retired)

Our congregation was saddened by the recent death of Addie Fox. Addie had for many years been a faithful member of our church choir, and was very much involved in our support of the Vellore Hospital in South India. She will be greatly missed.

Christmas started early for St Andrew's this year, when several parishioners contributed to filling the 92 shoeboxes with toys as well as practical items: these were sent abroad by The Sole Bay Team as part of Operation Christmas Child 2011. The boxes are sent overseas to children in need, with no regard to their background or beliefs. Thanks to all those who packed a shoebox

Our annual Carols By Candlelight Service is to take place midweek this year, on Thursday 22 December at 6.00pm. Another celebration will be our annual Crib Service for young people (as well as those who are young at heart!) & their families, which takes place on Christmas Eve at 4.30pm: we encourage those of any age to dress up as Biblical characters, animals or objects. If you've never been before please join us for an unforgettable experience.

The Luncheon Club will take place on Friday 9 December, 12.30pm in the Village Hall; the cost is £6. This is the only occasion in the year when we ask you to book your place by contacting either Christine or me at 723023.

However or wherever you celebrate the first coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ to Earth some 2000 + years ago, may I wish you a very happy Christmas.

Yours in Christ's service

**Brian Fisher**

### PARISH REGISTER

18 October 2011 Funeral Service & Burial  
**Adelaide (Addie) Haslam Fox aged 94**