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Corpusty Bonfire Night by Roger Last



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What's On

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Wed 2	10.30am	Edgefield Meeting of the Minds - see below Village Hall
Sat 5	6.00pm	Corpusty Bonfire Procession Village Green
Sat 5	8.00pm	Corpusty Fireworks Village Green
Sun 13	10.50am	Little Barningham Remembrance Sunday Church
Mon 14	7.30pm	Baconsthorpe Parish Council Meeting Village Hall
Wed 16	2.00pm	Corpusty LinC Ready for Christmas with Anita Village Hall
Wed 16	7.30pm	Matlaske Parish Council Meeting St Peter's Church
Thur 17	3.30pm	Corpusty Families Together Village Hall
Thur 17	7.00pm	Baconsthorpe Village Hall Committee Village Hall
Sat 19	10.00am	Little Barningham Table-Top Sale Village Hall
Sat 19	7.30pm	Matlaske Threescore + Tony Hall Baconsthorpe Village Hall
Tues 22	10.00am	Public Inquiry - Bodhan + Selbrigg Turbines NNDC Offices
Fri 25	7.00pm	Wickmere Quiz Night Village Hall
Sat 26	7.00pm	Little Barningham Olivia Watson Concert Church
Sun 27	11.00am	North Barningham Benefice Advent Carols St Peter's Church
Wed 30	7.00pm	Baconsthorpe Christmas Prize Bingo Village Hall

DECEMBER

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Meeting of the Minds We need your Ideas

Sports Clubs & Hubs from North Norfolk District Council will be holding a meeting in Edgefield Village Hall Wednesday November 2nd - 10.30am

Tea/coffee and biscuits will be served so come along and make it happen in your village

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Regular Events

Baconsthorpe Village Hall

Monday	7.30pm - 9.30pm	Line Dancing -POSTPONED
Tuesday during term time	10.00am - 12noon	Diocesan Play Van - 07918 027092
Tuesday	7.30pm - 9.30pm	Carpet Bowls - 711320
Last Friday	6.00pm - 11.00pm	Pop-Up Pub

Corpusty Village Hall

Second and fourth Monday	2.00pm - 4.00pm	Bure Valley Quilters & Stitchers
Second Tuesday	10.00am - 12noon	Norfolk Knitters £7 - 4 weeks or £2-1 week
		Rita Taylor 587507 K2togp1@btinternet.com
Every Thursday	10.00am - 12noon	Art Group Non-members £10 a session
		Professional artist in attendance every 3rd week

9.30am - 11.30am Toddler Group

Edgefield Village Hall

Friday during term time

Third Monday	7.00pm	Parish Council Meeting
First Tuesday	2.00pm	Tuesday Club
Second Wednesday	2.00pm	Ladies Club
Last Thursday	10.30am	Coffee Morning - Jeff Witts 587661

Hempstead Village Hall

Tuesday	10.00am
Third Wednesday (not Dec)	7.30pm
First Friday	10.30am

Mobile Library Van

24 Nov / 22 Dec			
Itteringham	11.00	NR11 7AP	The Common
	11.15	NR11 7AY	The Rectory
Lt Barningham	12.05	NR11 7AG	The Street
Matlaske	12.30	NR11 7AQ	Old Post Office
Plumstead	1.15	NR11 7LG	Walnut Farm
Baconsthorpe	2.45	NR25 6LJ	Council Bungalows
	4.10	NR25 6LG	Old Post Office
Hempstead	3.20	NR25 6LE	Hare & Hounds
	3.40	NR25 6TL	Telephone kiosk
10 Nov / 8 D	ec		
S axthorpe	11.50	NR11 7BL	Old Post Office
Corpusty	12.10	NR11 6QP	School
	12.40	NR11 7BU	Great Farm Cott's
	2.00	NR11 6QJ	Adams Lane
	2.15	NR11 6QL	3 Council Houses
	2.30	NR11 6QL	16 Council Houses
Edgefield	3.15	NR24 2AX	The Street
	3.40	NR24 2AL	The Memorial
23 Nov / 21 Dec			
Wolterton	12.45	NR11 7LY	Wolterton Hall

1.15 NR11 7ND Village Sign

Wickmere

Charcoal Drawing £4 includes coffee, biscuits and paper Mike Thody 711282 Film Club Coffee & Gossip

Post Offices

Baconsthorpe Village Hall

Tuesdays	1.00 pm - 4.00 pm
Fridays	10.00 am - 1.00 pm

All services

Corpusty Stores 587202 Monday-Saturday 9.00am – 12.00noon

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Itteringham Village Shop 587325

Monday-Thursday 9.00am – 1.00pm All services including Euros Free cash withdrawals

Holt Library 712202 9 Church Street, Holt NR25 6BB Mon Wed Sat 9.30am-1.00pm

Fri 9.30am-6.00pm

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Reflection from the Rectory



There have been a number of funerals recently in our Benefice. Each of course, has been significant for the families involved and in some cases, had a wider impact than on simply the close families.

And when later this month on Remembrance Sunday we hear the names read out of the people who gave their lives for their country and their fellow men, it is difficult to imagine their funerals - some were buried with great

ceremony and circumstance, others' graves were simply marked with wooden crosses in a corner of some foreign field, others still remain dreadfully anonymous. But all funerals great and small are interesting events.

We often want to remember our loved ones for all that they gave to us. Their love, their time and their support. We feel the loss keenly. And no matter how much time passes, that sense of loss is not diminished. In his writings Dietrich Bonheoffer offers us hope of continued love even through that pain of loss.

"Nothing can fill that gap when we are away from those we love and it would be wrong to try and find anything. We must simply hold out and win through. That sounds very hard at first. But at the same time it is a great consolation since leaving the gap unfilled preserves the bonds of love between us. It is nonsense to say that God fills the gap. He does not fill it but leaves it empty so that our communion with another may be kept alive, even at the cost of pain."

If you wish to remember those that have died in service of our country come and join us at one of the Remembrance Services on Sunday 13^{th} . We would love to welcome you.

So, enjoy this November with its highs and lows before the start of the Christmas season, which begins with our Advent Carol Service on Sunday 27th November in North Barningham at 11.00am. All are welcome to this traditional service.

Rev Marion Harrison

Church People		
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AWA Judy Rosser		Matl Plun Saxt

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Itteringham	Ray Covell Derek Turnbell	587659 587259	
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Plumstead	Eleanor Faulkner	577868	
Saxthorpe	Merlin Waterson Heather Monks	587610 587118	
Wickmere	Tony Hurn	577309	

Church Services for November

Midweek Service Wednesdays 9.00am Itteringham

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6 th Trinity 24	Job 19:23-27a / Ps 17:1-8 / 2Thess 2:1-5,13-	end / Luke 20:27-38			
9.15	Holy Communion CW	Little Barningham			
9.15	Holy Communion <i>BCP</i>	Barningham Winter			
11.00	Choral Patronal Matins	Hempstead			
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13th Rememb	13th Remembrance				
10.50	Remembrance	Little Barningham			
10.50	Remembrance	Itteringham			
10.50	Remembrance	Barningham Winter			
10.50	Remembrance	Wickmere			
10.50	Remembrance	Saxthorpe			
10.50	Remembrance	Edgefield			
20 th Christ th	e King Jeremiah 23:1-6 / Psalm 46 / Colo	ossians 1:11-20 / Luke 23:33-43			
8.00	Holy Communion BCP	Wickmere			
9.15	Holy Communion CW	Plumstead			
11.00	Matins	Baconsthorpe			
11.00	Morning Prayer	Little Barningham			
27th Advent Isaiah 2:1-5 / Psalm 122 / Romans 13:11-end / Matthew 24:36-44					
9.15	Family Service	Edgefield			
9.15	Holy Communion <i>BCP</i>	Matlaske			
11.00	Advent Carols	North Barningham			
11.00	Morning Prayer <i>BCP</i>	Itteringham			
11.00	Holy Communion <i>CW</i>	Saxthorpe			
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4 th Advent 2	Isaiah 1:1-10 / Psalm72:1-7 / Romans15:4-13 /	Matthew 3:1-12			
9.15	Holy Communion CW	Little Barningham			
9.15	Holy Communion $CWTL$	Hempstead			
11.00	Christingle	Barningham Winter			
5.00	Advent Light	Wickmere			
CW = Common Worship BCP = Book of Common Prayer TL = Traditional Language					

Wednesday 30th November 6.30pm - Evensong, Little Barningham Followed by cheese and wine - everyone welcome



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Baconsthorpe

Mon 14 7.30pm Parish Council Meeting - Village Hall
Thur 17 7.00pm Village Hall Committee Meeting - Village Hall

Wed 30 7.00pm Christmas Prize Bingo - Village Hall

200 Club September

£25 David Youngs, £10 Anne Brown, £5 Sheridan Blake, Daphne Allard



Corinne Youngs 577263

Parish Council

Speed Awareness Sign: This is a sign that will flash up a car's speed when it approaches the sign and that can be moved to various locations in the village. The Parish Council has obtained a grant of £1,600.00 for half the cost of the sign. The Parish Council has to raise the other £1,600.00. The Pop-Up Pub will donate £800.00. This means we need another £800.00. If anyone would like to make a donation to the Parish Council to go towards the sign please contact Jonathan Cooper on 577527 or e-mail baconsthorpeparishcouncil@gmail.com

Thank you to Andrew Rudd for cutting the hedge around the burial ground.

Sadly we have to report that Jayne Cain died in her sleep in October. Jayne lived at Willow Glen with her beloved Irish Wolf hounds and was at one time editor of this newsletter. Her funeral was held on 31st October at 1.20pm at the Woodlands Burial Centre at Colney.

Village Hall News

Get Well Soon: Best wishes to John Cooper for a speedy recovery. We miss you!

Line Dancing: Unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond our control, line dancing is cancelled indefinitely. However, if there is anyone out there who would like to take over the running of the weekly event, for the foreseeable future, please contact Karen Hall: karen@karenhall.co.uk.

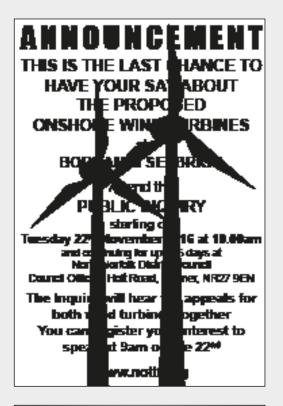
Stock-Take of Hall: The Committee has agreed that a stock-take of the hall should be undertaken. If anyone donated anything over the years and would like it back, please contact Karen Hall and we'll arrange to have the items returned. It has also been agreed that there is no further use for the organ which is a KAWAI electric chord, bass 3, animation by Leslie, and as a consequence, will be FREE to a good home, although a donation to the Village Hall would be gratefully received. Please contact Karen Hall.

Christmas Prize Bingo: Wednesday 30th November eyes down at 7.30pm our Special Guest Caller will be leading the night which promiseses to be great fun, with great prizes, delicious refreshments and a brilliant raffle!

Village Christmas Party: Sunday 18th December 2.30pm - 4.30pm with big surprises from **AWARD-WINNING MAGICIAN and children's entertainer, MAGICAL EDD.** Admission FREE! Refreshments FREE! To help us with numbers (catering) please reserve your place with Evelyn on 577315.

Bowls Club: Thank you to David Youngs for looking after the weekly Bowls Club in the absence of John and Pat. Very much appreciated, David.

Thank You: The Village Hall Committee would like to thank Mr & Mrs Gee for their generosity in gifting the strip of land adjoining the hall to the Village Hall. We would also like to thank them for their continued support over the years and wish them all the very best in their retirement.





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Barningham Winter

We send Mr John Perks our very best wishes and happiness on his move to Brisley, where he is going to live in the future with his son, daughter-in-law and their family. John has lived at the Old Parsonage, North Barningham for the last 50 years and he and his late wife Sheila played such a huge part in both the church and the community. John has been the most wonderful fabric officer and treasurer at St Mary's church for many years and we all so pleased that Brisley isn't too far away and he will come back and visit us **Lots**.



Sara Buxton 577207

The wreath making day will take place on Wednesday 1st December at 10.30am in the Stables at Barningham Hall. The price of a ticket is £20.00 which will include coffee and soup for lunch. Tickets are available from Mrs Amelia Courtauld577250 or amelia@barninghamestate.co.uk. Do come along and learn how to make your own Christmas wreath. Please bring your own scissors and wrap up warmly!!

Benefice Advent Carols at St Peter's, North Barningham

11am Sunday 27th November 2016

Come and join us for this Advent Carol Service at the redundant (but still consecrated) church of St Peter. A truly medieval experience: no heat, no light, no running water, a resident wren. We promise wonderful acoustics, a very warm welcome to all and refreshments after the service.

You will need all your winter woollies and preferably shoes with thick soles as the cold strikes relentlessly upwards. The church will be as clean as we can make it, the pews dusted and the altar dressed for the occasion... over seventy people attended last year, so we must be getting something right. We look forward to greeting you there.

Edgefield

Church News

Dependence on the internet hits one when you have a week without it! Now, just reconnected, lack of time means I can just say we hope you will join us on 13^{th} November at 10.50am for our Act of Remembrance at The Village Hall. It is such an important event every year, remembering all our fallen servicemen and women. The Carol Service will be on 11^{th} December at 4pm.



Angela Turner 587486

Village Hall

The Village Hall History evening in October was an enormous success. One hundred people packed into the hall to see some wonderful old photos and films, courtesy of the late Joan Reading, and hear some gory tales of Edgefield past. Such was the popularity of the event that we are considering the possibility of a second such evening. Watch this space! A final reminder for our ever-popular Christmas Evening: Saturday 3rd December at 6.30pm. Tickets are £6 from me on 587110 or Dawn Hulbert 587379.

Edgefield Fuel Fund

The Christmas Distribution of fuel money will be made again this year to all those who qualify as follows:

- Each recipient must have reached the age of 60 years
- Only those persons who have been resident in the parish for the past 5 years will be Ь. eligible to receive the payment of £25 per household
- Application must be made in person, or by the person authorised to draw the pension, during the times stated below (no payments will be made outside the stated hours)
- The distribution will be made in the Village Hall on Saturday 10th December between d. 11.00am and 12noon.

Please note that in future the Trustees will not personally distribute the payment to those who do not attend the Village Hall, unless expressly asked to so do.

I. Ross (Chairman), E. Earnshaw (Treasurer), J. Harrison (Secretary), M. Cletheroe (Trustee), G. Kinsley (Trustee) Jim Frost

Hempstead

200 Club

£25 C Inglis, £10 J Buxton, £5 S Hannah, R West, M Thody

Coffee & Gossip

We will notify regulars whether it will be the first or second Friday in November. Please ring 710702 if in doubt. We are expecting the arrival of a grandchild at that Sharon Hannah time which is causing the uncertainty!



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Goodbye Betty (1925 - 2016)



Betty and Harry Hart moved to Hempstead in 1985. They were 'do-ers' from the moment they arrived, starting the 200 Club to raise the funds needed to keep the churchyard grass cut, and always willing to help maintain the Village Hall. Stalwart members of the church, Betty continued all the activities after Harry's death in 1996, as PCC member, Sacristan, flower arranger and member of the Kneeler Group, until she became housebound in the last year. She also served as President of Holt Women's Institute. Betty was very much a family person, taking great delight, and pride, in the progress of her grandchildren. The funeral service held on 14th October in Hempstead Church was a fitting send off for a much loved and valued member of our community, with Betty leaving the church to the sound of *Time to say Goodbye*. Su Summers

Betty was an NHS radiographer in her working life but once living in Hempstead with Harry, was very involved in village life. She was Sacristan at All Saints Church, which meant she had the care of the precious sixteenth-century parish Communion Cup.

David Durst

Rex Wilson of Court Green has sadly passed away, condolences to his wife Janet and family.

Thank you to Robin and Linda West who have run the 200 club tirelessly in the past and are now retiring from this much loved fixture. Thank you to the Hempstead parish council for the gift to the children of the village of new climbing apparatus. This is much appreciated by mums, dads, grandparents and of course the children! We look forward to many years of fun from this generous gift.

The Harvest Festival service was enjoyed by a congregation of young and old together, and £110 was received from church contributions which will be donated to those in need in Haiti. Thank you to all who attended for your generosity.

Thank you to Tony and Diane Collier for organising the quiz and meal evening that sold out again and is enjoyed by all who attend. More detail of amounts raised will be in the next newsletter. Thank you also to Tim Scarff who as ever sums up the evening perfectly:

Oh what a night it was at the Hempstead Quiz

With Fun and Food and bottles of Fizz.

We all pitching our wits against the rest;

All determined to do our cranial best.

History; Geography; Music; Authors and Art;

Faces; Places; Literature and Sport playing their part.

The Village Hall buzzing with guarded whispers and deep thoughts -

One table versus the next - everyone in cohorts.

Until at last the scores are in and the winners collect their trophy

To loud applause from the remainder - just the way it should be.

Once again a delightful evening much enjoyed by us all:

So a big thumbs up to the organisers and volunteers of Hempstead Village Hall!

Norfolk Churches Trust Sponsored Cycle Ride

We are delighted to report that the magnificent sum of £3,453 was raised this year in Hempstead. Thank you again to everyone who supported this event. Yvette Gibson

Harp Party

Strolling through Hempstead on Sunday 16th you might have been surprised as you passed the village hall. The Harp Party was in progress - 14 harps and harpists having a wonderful time playing, and learning, together - and the sound was magical. Harpists came from far distant parts of the country, as well as from Norfolk and Suffolk. At the end of the day, a small audience from the village heard all the pieces that had been played during the day. The following email of thanks was received "Wow, it was amazing, beautiful and beyond belief...I run out of words to express my joy at it!" Su Summers

Christmas Party: Saturday 10th December 7.00pm

Come along and feast together with a fine selection of homemade soups, breads and cheeses, desserts and mulled wine. Entertainment will be of course our much loved local talent! All from the village are invited, but it would much appreciated if you are hoping to attend to let Diane Collier know on 713004, especially if you are hoping to bring a large party of folk, so that catering can be planned. People outside the village are welcome as guests. Anyone willing to help out with catering please contact Diane. The traditional raffle will be held - please bring prizes all wrapped up to surprise a winner! 13

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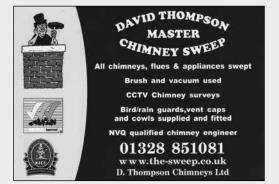


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Itteringham

Over time Norfolk has provided its fair share and more of emigrants to the farthest reaches of what was once the British Empire. Fortunately, that bloc is now the rather more kindly seen group known as the Commonwealth, but is still attracting those from this kingdom who are enthused by the thought of fresh landscape, new social environment and exciting opportunity. Sadly for us, though promising for them, our newlyweds, Scarlet and Ed will be 'leaving on a jet plane; don't know if Eric Goodman they'll be back again', but we wish them great success down under. Your village shop will mourn your absence.



587278

For those who enjoy the delights of Mossymere Woods it is good to report that the bird cherries are now all fully freed of their enwrapment of ghostly web reported earlier this year. The perpetrator appears to have fled, although the phenomenon may appear again. In researching the subject your correspondent contacted The Woodland Trust for guidance. This was a mistake. When the man offering advice began speaking of sprays



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and other extreme remedies in virgin woodland, patience was exhausted and phones hurriedly replaced. An excellent article, with photographs, accessed on the internet was provided by The Guardian newspaper and all was revealed.

Matt and Helen were anxious about numbers, but then for a while before a party the hosts will inevitably fear that no-one will arrive. They attracted a very good number of over sixty 'harvesters' and the decibel readings suggest strongly that a very good time was had by all. The supper was excellent. The bar busy. There was another 'silly quiz' mirthfully received, and the raffle was highly successful. Overall the evening enjoyed a very friendly and affable atmosphere and much gratitude to Matt and Helen as organisers and their many cuisinal supporters and all others who gave of their time and those who donated prizes, but mostly...yourselves. It is hoped that no-one was disappointed. Well! How could you be?

Over the course of this month, Community Work Contributors are to commit to a refurbishment of your Village Hall and this is to include painting and decorating, repairs to the cosmetics and generally a good scrubbing. The same group is also to slap on the final coat to the telephone box and all in all we shall have a fresh and tidy look in time for Christmas.

The seams were straining down at St Marys' on Sunday 16th October in accommodating around ninety people, including thirty children, for the christening of Matt and Helen Skinner's boy, Sebastian Costessy. We wish him a happy life.



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Little Barningham

Sun 13 10.50am Rememberance Sunday Service - Church

Sat 19 10.00am **Table-Top Sale** - Village Hall

Sat 26 7.00pm Olivia Watson Concert - Church



Derek Wintle 570097

'Food glorious food: we're anxious to try it' – well, 36 villagers and friends did just that at the Casserole Evening held at the village hall. The food was so good that many had second helpings, and thanks to Ellie Betts there was a choice of five delicious desserts. The money raised was £355. Thanks go to Ellie for her beef and dumplings, Pam for the lamb dish and Derek for the chicken casserole and vegetarian option.

There will be two more events coming up in the hall - firstly, a table-top sale on Saturday 19th November from 10am till 2pm with free admission and light refreshments, and remember, remember the 11th December, the village Christmas Lunch with turkey and all the trimmings, followed by Christmas pudding trifle and mince pies. Please book early, as only 40 places are available: tickets £8, children under 12 years free. For details of both events please call Sue on 570091. The proceeds for this will go to the charity 'Crisis at Christmas'.

Olivia Watson is giving a concert in the church on Saturday 26th November at 7pm: free admission, but with a plate for donations for the Church Fabric Fund. The lead on the church tower needs to be replaced, which involves scaffolding, a very costly repair, so do please give whatever you can. ea and biscuits will be available. Please come and enjoy a lovely evening – you will not be disappointed! Those who have heard Olivia sing say what a lovely professional voice she has.

The Remembrance Sunday Service on the 13th November will be attended by some members of the British Legion. Let us make this special Sunday very special by a good attendance as we all have so much to be thankful to all those who died for us.

Marion leaving us for as new ministry left us with mixed emotions, understanding her need to be nearer her family, especially her aged mother. The loss of her ministry here over the past five years will be greatly missed, but we all wish her well and pray for her as she prepares for her new ministry.

Pam Daniels is recovering well after her operation and is thankful for all our good wishes and prayers. Congratulations go to Mr and Mrs Manson on the birth of their son, Jacob Henry, who weighed in at just over eight pounds

Finally a big thank you to the 'pay back' group for all their hard work in the church grounds.

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Sat 19 7.00pm Threescore + Tony Hall- Baconsthorpe Village Hall

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Marion Shepherd

Coffee Morning

The coffee morning held at Karen's in aid of Matlaske Speed Sign raised a whopping £372. Thank you to Karen for hosting and thanks to all those people who supported.

Goodbye & Welcome

Roger, April and Katy Kilsby have now moved from 4 Barningham Place to Holt, and we welcome Andy and June Bere who have moved in. Also Richard Rowe has moved from 29 The Street to Aylsham. We hope they all will be very happy in their new homes.

Folk Evening

Our local band Threescore, with special guest Tony Hall, are playing at Baconsthorpe Village Hall on Saturday 19th November from 7pm. Tickets are £8 in advance, available by ringing 577795 or 577315. Proceeds to EACH Children's Hospice Quidenham.

Christmas Sing-A-Long

Come along to an evening of Christmas carols and songs to sing-a-long to or just listen, at St Peter's Church, Matlaske on Sunday 18th December at 7pm. This is not a Church Service but an evening of song. Everyone welcome.

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Plumstead

The heat of September has finally left us and we can get on with the change of season and move into autumn. Christmas is only nine weeks away, so we must all gird ourselves for the onslaught of the advertising campaigns that will soon be in full force.

The Church Repair Fund has reached a very healthy £2,240 - £1,300 of which



was raised on the Gift Day. The PCC has also received confirmation of a grants of £11,000. This has been a tremendous effort and puts the PCC in a strong position when applying for further grants to fund the work that needs to be done. Thank you everyone!

Unfortunately we had to cancel the Autumn Supper and Quiz Night due to low numbers. We received very positive feedback after the BBQ in the summer which suggested that everyone was keen to be part of village events. So, it would be great if you could come up with some ideas which appeal to pulling you away from the warmth of the fire and an evening with Strictly or X Factor or whatever is your favourite TV programme! Do email me and I can pass it on to the PEG Committee.

Posada

You are invited to take part in this new idea in preparation for Christmas. A Posada is a Spanish word meaning 'Inns' and during Advent some nativity figures will travel round the Village, staying at a different house each night, as a reminder of the journey Joseph and Mary made to Bethlehem. These figures are placed in a central place in each house for 24 hours and then are taken to the next household on the list. The figures will then be brought to the Church on December 18th for the Carol Service. Please let Eleanor know as soon as possible if you would like to take part in this new venture.

Friday 16th December 6pm PEG announces Mulled Wine & Mince Pies in the Church, our annual Christmas social for the Village. Please put the date in your diary.

We wish Jill Fisher, who has recently broken her arm, well in her recovery.

Doreen Hebron has recently become a Grandmother to a dear little girl - Harper May. Mother, Baby and Grandmother doing very well!

Reminder The Parish Council meeting about the Wildflower Meadow is on December 5th at 6pm in the Church. Please do come to the meeting. This is a community project and needs everyone's input.

A call to all those of a creative nature in the village... Saxthorpe is hosting a Christmas Tree Festival - they have asked if Plumstead would like to decorate a tree to represent the Village. If anyone is willing to help please contact Eleanor 577868.

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Saxthorpe with Corpusty

Sat 5	6.00pm	Bonfire Procession - Village Green
Sat 5	8.00pm	Fireworks - Village Green

Wed 16 2.00pm LinC Ready for Christmas with Anita - Village Hall

Thur 17 3.30pm **Families Together** - Village Hall



Judith Banks 587319

It is with great sadness that we learn Pam Crossland, a stalwart member of LinC and the two villages, has suddenly died. Sincere condolences are sent to Keith and his family. Pam has been a very caring friend to many people.

Welcome to Julie and David Helliwell from Girton, Cambridge, who have come to live in Saxthorpe. A belated welcome to Liz Mann who has moved into The Pink Cottage, Corpusty.

It is hoped they will all enjoy living in this beautiful part of Norfolk. We hear Shirley Pidgeon is off to Wales from Great Yard, Saxthorpe, we wish her well as she moves to be nearer family. Following the announcement last month of Rev Marion moving to five parishes on the edge of Salisbury Plain, we wish her well in this next step of her ministry. Marion has continued to make Families Together fun, and Open the Book at Corpusty Primary School memorable, and encouraged others in their exploration of the Christian life in these two villages.

We wish David Green of Corpusty a speedy recovery from a recent stroke, and trust that his recuperation in a care home in Kelling will be on going.



Natasha and Adam Smith married 10th Sept, St Andrew's

Corpusty Primary School raised £704.80 at the Race for Life.

Many congratulations to all who participated or who sponsored the runners.



Bell Ringers' Tree 2015

St Andrew's Christmas Tree Festival will be on 9th - 11th December from 10am 4pm. This year besides refreshments, there will be various stalls offering Christmas gifts, books, and other seasonal fare. One of the stalls is: 'Filled Mugs', if anyone has any spare mugs, not cracked nor chipped, please could they leave them in church, and we will fill them, thank you. All funds raised will go to St Andrew's Church. If you haven't signed up yet for a tree please ring Heather Monks on 587118.



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Wickmere with Wolterton

Fri 25 7.00pm **Quiz Night** - Village Hall

It is with **huge** sadness I have to report Teddy Amis, a long part of Wickmere history, passed away on 11th October. He was a wonderful gentleman. A staunch Norwich City fan, Teddy was always ready to give his opinion on how they did or should have played. Teddy was born and lived almost all his life in Wickmere. He had recounted many tales of his growing up, his meetings as a youngster with

the military at Wolterton Hall and at Matlaske during the war. One of the main



Helen Goulty 570043

achievements was being taken in a tank for a ride! He also talked about the changes in agriculture, from his time when everything was done manually, with horses and shovels, not the machinery we take for granted nowadays. There are those in the village whom he taught to play darts and snooker. His many trophies are a testament to those skills. For me personally, I shall miss his wicked sense of humour and a cherished friendship. Our love goes to Janet, Wendy and the family at this sad time. A service is being arranged at St Faith's - no date set yet.

Very many thanks to all those villagers who took the time to attend the Footpath Enquiry meeting on Tuesday 28th September. It was well attended – a **long** and at times very **vocal** meeting, with both sides having their say. Although no decision was reached on the day, the Planning Officer said he would be in touch as soon as possible. We wait and see...

Many congratulations to Wickmere's very own Brownlee Bros - Tom and Robert Riches, on completion of the Pinewood Triathlon on Sunday 25th September. Swimming, cycling and running, both coming in with competitive times. Tom beat his time from last year and Robert completed his first. Robert also went to work afterwards! Oh to be young... Well done guys, very impressive.

Harvest Festival was held on 2nd October. Thank you to Marion for a lovely service. The church was happily full. It was also beautifully decorated, again with flowers and foliage of the season. Thank you to Penny for playing the organ, which helped boost the congregation to sing the lovely traditional harvest hymns. After the service, drinks and nibbles were provided by Phillida and Tony, thank you.

With the darker mornings and evenings now upon us, please keep your speed down, and be aware of those walking to and from school buses.

A reminder of another Social Evening: Quiz Night - 25^{th} November. Soup and rolls on offer and Richard your quizmaster.

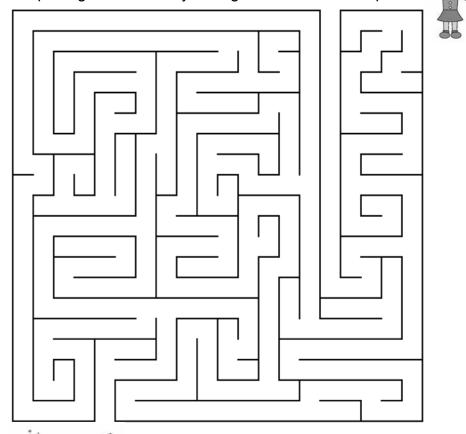
There is another Service of Light on Sunday 1st December. This will be one of Marion's last services for Wickmere, which is very sad, so please put it in your diary. It has been a wonderful, atmospheric service to start the (dare I mention the word!) Christmas season. Come along and enjoy the experience.

Bonfire Night Activity Page



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children and parents come together. This is a very sociable time where children share the food, and parents talk about some of the tricks of getting children to eat veg or try new foods etc. The session ends when everybody has helped to tidy up so that they can have a story and sing some songs which the children all enjoy.

Norfolk Notes



When someone mentions bonfire night in North Norfolk, the place to be for many has always been Corpusty. Over the decades it has attracted thousands of visitors and once again Corpusty bonfire night promises to deliver a spectacular show for all who attend this year. A firm staple on many families' calendars, this particular bonfire event has become one of the most famous in the county. Its reputation has spread far and wide, which has meant that rave reviews have been produced for not only local publications but also nationals including newspapers such as *The Times*.

The evening has followed the same traditions for years and begins with a torch-lit procession with pagan

overtones. What follows next is the lighting of the guy and then the bonfire itself. It is finished off with a fabulous fireworks display where the 'oohs' and 'aahs' ring in the ears of spectators long after the night has finished.

This year the event takes place on Saturday November 5th. The procession starts at 6.00pm, with the bonfire and fireworks at 8.00pm on the village green. Car parking is free, but spaces around the village and its outskirts fill up quickly. There will also be donation buckets to raise money for charity. For more information visit the Facebook page by searching for Corpusty Bonfire.

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Mike Strong's Recipe of the Month

From Recipes from the Baconsthorpe Newsletter published in the year 2000 Illustrated by Yvonne Law

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8 oz Bourneville dark chocolate

4 egg yolks

6 tots of whisky

1 tin black cherries - chopped

12 Amaretti biscuits

3 strawberries - optional

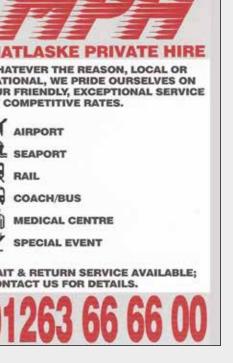
Method

- Heat the double cream in a pan, stir frequently until it simmers, do not boil
- In a food processor chop up the dark chocolate, add the cream, then the egg yolks and whisk, blend well.
- 3. Break two biscuits into each of 6 goblet glasses, top these with the cherries.
- 4. Now equally top up the glasses with the cream mixture
- Leave to cool, and decorate with some whipped cream, set off with 1/2 a fan of strawberry

Note: this is guite a stiff, rich sweet, to make it less rich, lighter and go further, add the whipped egg white into the mixture after the cream has cooled sufficiently.









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Sharon Hannah



I found these (and more) bottles buried in my back garden in Plumstead. Several have embossed labels, including 'Eiffel Tower Lemonade', which contained not liquid, but crystals to be mixed with water. 'California Fig Syrup', I have learned, claimed to cure "many ills arising from a weak or inactive condition of the stomach, bowels, kidneys and liver". The little blue bottle is ribbed and embossed 'NOT TO BE TAKEN'. From about 1850, poison bottles were coloured to identify them by sight, and ribbed, given raised lettering and special shapes to identify them by touch. Some were shaped like coffins or skulls. Michael McMahon

