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Wickhamton

SEPTEMBER
2023
25P



Taken while Champing at Limpenhoe Church

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OUTLOOK

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From the Rectory

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I'm always conscious of the time of year when I embark on one of these monthly letters. September marks the beginning of the academic year: a significant time for young people, their carers and those who work in or with education – including clergy and our *Open the Book* team. Most of us will be aware of children in uniform and the increase in traffic at the beginning and end of the school day. Because we are rural, most of us will also be conscious of the changing agricultural scene: harvest gold is giving way to turned soil, ready for autumn sowing. From next month comes mud, with the lifting and heaping of beet. There's a similar cycle for gardeners, including the crop of autumn shows. There may be other outside tasks to complete *ere the winter storms begin*. The football season started last month; and many organisations embark on a new programme after a summer break, with plans to be made for the months leading up to Christmas. But arranging September meetings can be a challenge, as many of the active retired people on whom churches and voluntary groups depend take a holiday now the schools have gone back! Despite the promotion of 24/7 activity, 365 days a year, and its attempt to flatten out the rhythms of life, we are used to operating within a number of overlapping seasons. It's probably in our DNA, because we see nature doing the same: using the days of autumn to prepare for winter - migration, leaf drop, hibernation.

In his wisdom, Ecclesiastes knew that there is a time for everything under the sun: *a time to be born and a time to die; a time to plant and a time to uproot*. Yet there may be areas in our lives where we try to forget the progression of time and behave as if present conditions can and will continue for ever. We might do that in the face of aging; or to resist change in some cherished area of our life; or in failing to take action to reduce climate change. But are we burying our heads in the sand? Sand might provide a good metaphor. Where there are sand dunes on our coasts, management always appeared to me to be directed towards stabilisation: promoting the growth of marram; resisting erosion. But ecologically, a healthy dune system is a mobile one: many plants and animals depend on shifting sands. Soft, dynamic coastal features like saltmarsh may be better at absorbing the energy of the sea than hard engineering which attempts to keep things as they are – for the time being.

On the whole, the New Testament doesn't operate on the basis that things are going to stay as they are: that vision belongs to the hereafter. Instead there is a sense that things are about to change, initiated by Jesus' own preaching that *the kingdom of heaven is near*. Sometimes the crisis appears imminent: sometimes that's what we need to overcome our inertia and awaken us from sleep. In other perspectives there is a time of grace: we have been granted time to prepare, to make the necessary changes; but only limited time. As Charlotte Elliott put it in her hymn, we are only *here for a season*.

In the love of God,

Martin Greenland

Parish Notes

Sisters Elizabeth Pio and Heidi Marie will now be contributing to worship somewhere in the benefice each month, usually by providing a reflection. Heidi Marie has already received authorisation as a Worship Assistant; while Elizabeth Pio will be licensed as a Lay Worker on 16th

September (10.30am at Norwich Cathedral at the Celebration of Licensed Lay Ministry). We welcome their presence in the benefice and look forward to sharing more in the fruits of their life of prayer. **4.**

Harvest Thanksgiving will be celebrated at Acle and Wickhampton on 1st October: we welcome gifts for local foodbanks. Dates have also been set for Beighton (8th Oct); and Halvergate, Limpenhoe and Reedham (all on 15th Oct).

Parish Registers

Funerals

We commend to God's keeping:

William Frederick Hemsall, aged 81, on 31st July at St Mary's, Fishley.

Simon Dennis Kielty, aged 95, on 1st August at St Edmund's, Acle.

Marilyn Christine Finch, aged 76, on 15th August at St Edmund's, Acle.

Holy Matrimony

Emma Fiona Craig and Steven William Knights, on 29th July at All Saints', Freethorpe

Ladies' Christian Link

Our September meeting is on Wednesday 20th at 10 Old Chapel Road Freethorpe . We will be joined by the Sisters of Bethany for a second visit . We had such a lovely evening last time so do come and join us.

All ladies welcome.

Lynda Boyle

WICKHAMPTON NEWS

Teddy Bear Parachute & Zip-line: Sunday 13 August 2023

Due to extremely windy conditions on the day, it was decided that, unfortunately, parachuting would be just too dangerous for our brave bears and intrepid toys: a couple of trial jumps on the day had resulted in "Green Green Jelly Bean Bear" and a friend being blown into a tree, where they sat (quite comfortably) on a branch for 24 hours before we could rescue them! Never mind, the zip-line proved a brilliant back-up, and around 140 bears and toys whizzed down from the top of our 66ft tower!

Huge thanks go to Sue Burman for her incredible efforts in organising this fantastic event every year; to everyone who helped on the day, especially David and Peter on top of the tower; to David Clayton from BBC Radio Norfolk for introducing us to each bear and toy, and talking them safely to the ground; to all who donated some wonderful raffle prizes and, finally, to everybody who came to Wickhampton with their beloved bears, sloths, unicorns, Spidermen, turtles and crocodiles (among so many other species!) and helped raise over £1,100 towards repairs and maintenance to this very special church. Fantastic effort!

The Friends of Wickhampton Church

Cantley & District W.I.

Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday 20th September at 7.30pm in Cantley Village Hall. This will take the form of a DIY meeting. Although we did not have a meeting in August, we have been busy with visits to Ranworth, How Hill, and an afternoon tea in Great Yarmouth. For more information contact Barbara our secretary on 07789845050. New members always very welcome.

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Reedham aim for 'Mindful Towns and Villages Mental Health Status' 7.

Back in March 2023, Reedham Parish Council were made aware of free Mental Health awareness training being rolled out across South Norfolk and Broadland Districts, as part of the Mindful Towns and Villages Project.

The project aims to provide support within the community and workplace, whilst raising awareness of mental health problems, and challenging the stigma that is associated with such issues.

The Councils are working with various partner organisations - The Norfolk and Suffolk Foundation Trust's Wellbeing Service, Thriving Workplaces, and Evolve – to become more 'Mindful Districts'.

Through the partnerships, free mental health education and awareness training is being provided to representatives from local businesses, and community groups, including Town and Parish Councils. Representatives who complete the training automatically become a Wellbeing Champion.

Wellbeing Champions are not mental health practitioners, but can have open conversations about mental health in the community, recognize mental health issues and signpost individuals to get appropriate support via the Councils' Help Hub and partner organisations.

Reedham Parish Council aims to see our village become a Mindful Village through a network of champions. Achieving 'status' depends on having a sufficient number of champions for the population of the village, and as Reedham is deemed a small village (population 1,001 – 2500) – **4+ champions, at least, are required.**

One of our Parish Councillors has already become a Wellbeing Champion, having completed Wellbeing Champion & Mental Health First Aid Training courses, and **a second will be attending the next training session.**

Courses are optional, and further training is also available via the partner organisations.

If you are interested in becoming a Wellbeing Champion in the village further information can be found on the S. Norfolk and Broadland website 'Communities page'.

<https://www.southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk/communities/mindful-towns-villages>

If you are interested in becoming a Wellbeing Champion, please contact the South Norfolk and Broadland 'HelpHub' on 01603 430611 or email

Communities@southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk or Reedham Parish Council email reedhampc@outlook.com

Mark Smith, Reedham Parish Council

Cantley Flower Show (Not just flowers) Saturday 9th September, 2pm, Cantley Village Hall

We are looking forward to seeing you there. There is still time to enter. If you don't have an entry form go to www.cantley.org/flowershow and print one out. Full details are on the web site. Why not make some sausage rolls and a Lemon Drizzle cake, finish sewing up that jumper or just go in the garden and pick some beans? Any questions - ask Robert 01493701231.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

8.

Reedham Charity: Norfolk Wildlife Trust

Weekly

Tuesdays 9.30am Ecumenical Morning Prayer – Acle Methodist Church

1.30pm Reedham Over Fifties Club – Reedham Village Hall

Saturdays 5.00pm Roman Catholic Mass – Acle Church

Saturday 2nd 2pm – 4pm All Saints' Drop-In Café – Beighton Church

SUNDAY 3rd 13th after Trinity

9.30am Morning Prayer - Halvergate

9.30am Holy Communion - Limpenhoe

11.00am Morning Worship - Acle

11.00am Morning Worship - Freethorpe

11.00am Holy Communion – Reedham

2.30pm Reedham Village Show – Reedham Village Hall

Monday 4th 7.30pm Reedham Parish Council – Reedham Village Hall

Tuesday 5th 7.30pm Reedham Belles Birthday Meeting
– Reedham Village Hall

Wednesday 6th 7.30pm Women's Night Out – Annual Meeting & Quiz
– Freethorpe Village Hall

Friday 8th 7.3-pm Royal British Legion Quiz – Acle Recreation Centre

Saturday 9th 9am – 12 noon Farmers' Market – Acle Church Hall

9am – 5pm **Norfolk Churches Trust Cycle Ride**

2.00pm Cantley Flower Show (n.j.f.) – Cantley Village Hall

SUNDAY 10th 14th after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle

10.30am Benefice Service – Freethorpe

3pm – 4.30pm Reedham Church Picnic – Reedham Church & Churchyard

5.30pm **Songs of Praise** - Acle

Monday 11th MOBILE LIBRARY DAY

Tuesday 12th 10.30am Service – Swallowtail Place (games room) - Acle

Saturday 16th OUTLOOK COPY DATE

10.30am Licensing of Sister Elizabeth Pio - Norwich Cathedral

Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th – 'Escape the Room' – Reedham Village Hall

SUNDAY 17th 15th after Trinity

9.30am Holy Communion – Halvergate
 9.30am Morning Worship – Limpenhoe
 11.00am Holy Communion – Acle
 11.00am Morning Prayer – Reedham
 11.00am Morning Worship – Freethorpe

Monday 18th 7.30pm Cash Bingo – Reedham Village Hall

Wednesday 20th 7.30pm Ladies' Christian Link
 – 10 Old Chapel Road, Freethorpe

7.30pm Cantley & District W.I. – Cantley Village Hall

Friday 22nd 7.00pm Janet Church Memorial Event
 – Freethorpe Village Hall

7.30pm MacMillan Fundraiser – Reedham Vikings Club

SUNDAY 24th 16th after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle
 9.30am Matins – Halvergate
 10.30am Morning Prayer - Beighton
 11.00am Holy Communion – Reedham

Friday 29th St Michael & All Angels

10.00am Holy Communion – Cantley

Saturday 30th 5.30pm Service of Welcome for the Bishop of Thetford
 – Norwich Cathedral

Looking forward into **October:-**

SUNDAY 1st 17th after Trinity

9.30am Morning Prayer - Halvergate
 9.30am Morning Worship – Limpenhoe
 9.30am Harvest Holy Communion - Wickhampton
 11.00am Harvest Morning Worship - Acle
 11.00am Baptism - Freethorpe
 11.00am Morning Prayer – Reedham

Reedham Church Picnic – Sunday 10th September 3pm – 4.30pm

Come along and bring your sandwiches etc. to a picnic at Reedham Church – just a general get-together, no agenda! Hot and cold drinks will be provided, and CAKE. (Nicholas wants me to make one of my Chocolate Tarts.) All welcome, whether from the village or elsewhere, but especially former Chill Church people, Church Yard Group, Bell Ringers, cast and crew from the Passion Play.....

Kati Cowen

The Janet Church Memorial Evening

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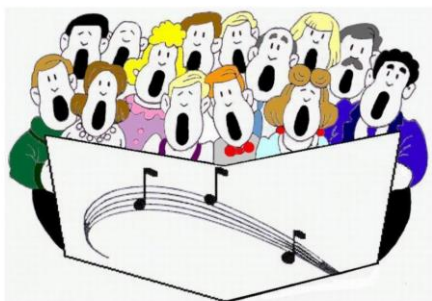
This event is being held on Friday September 22nd at 7pm at Freethorpe Village Hall. The Social Club and Bar will be open. A Raffle will be drawn. Refreshments will be available from The Piglet and Pumba Van.

Janet (known locally as Mrs Freethorpe) had been involved in all aspects of village activities, organisations and local churches all her life - volunteering willingly -always with a smile! Janet is greatly missed by all.

In recognition of her dedication and hard work, a tree will be planted on the green outside the village hall, surrounded by flowering bulbs. A picnic table will be unveiled in the play area and a bench to be placed in the bowls green.

All are welcome to attend.

ACLE SONGS OF PRAISE



St. Edmunds Church

10th September 2023

5.30pm

Entry free with refreshments.

Everyone welcome!

Reedham Village Hall

RCA Theatre Company are performing Agatha Christie's *And Then There Were None* on 22nd 23rd March 2024 at Reedham Village Hall.

We are currently looking for two more cast members for the roles of

Justice Wargrave (40s-60s)

Anthony Marston (17-25)

If you are interested then please contact us by email RCastageschool@yahoo.com or call 01493 701107

Quiz night 30th August at 7:30pm. £2 entry each, maximum team of 6.

Cash Bingo 18th September

Escape the Room returns to Reedham Village Hall on the 16th and 17th September. Solve clues and puzzles and see if you can escape

from the Museum. Maximum groups of 6. £6 each for under 16 or £8 each for 16 and over. Call 01493 701107 to book your groups time slot.

Reedham Village Autumn Show

You can enter flowers, vegetables, your brilliant photographs, your amazing handcraft and lots of other sensational items.

Where: Reedham Village Hall

When: Sunday 3rd September

What time: Entries between 8:30am and 11am

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OVER FIFTIES CLUB AND LOTTERY

13.

Well, here we are half way through yet another month. We are now looking forward to our buffet for members with August birthdays.

If you would like to join us come along any Tuesday to Reedham Village Hall at 1.30pm, we only have limited membership left now to fill, so if you are considering joining come now and see us.

We have a free coach trip coming up in October to Bury St Edmunds & Lavenham, and members that cannot go on the coach trip can go to Acle Bridge for lunch.

The cost is £3.00 per week and this includes refreshments and a free raffle. We also play bingo for prizes and we have a flyer for cash. we are looking for more whist players. Our yearly subscription which runs from January to December is £7.00 per year. Members receive a free club calendar, a Christmas lunch at Acle Bridge and a Christmas party with our grand Christmas raffle at the village hall.

I would like to thank members and the committee for prizes and food donated to our buffets, this is what makes our club successful, we pull together. Thank you also to Wendy Gitsham and Sally Cory who run our kitchen on a Tuesday making teas, coffees etc and also the food they cook sometimes to surprise us which includes, jellies, scones and flapjacks. We are thankful to you all.

LOTTERY NEWS

Our lottery was won by Mrs Audrey Wilson who won £273.60 and Audrey donated £20 to the club which was greatly appreciated.

Our lottery is open to non-members too; it is £1.00 per week and as well as helping to support our club we donate to other charities at Christmas.

If you would like to join just give me a ring, you have to be in it to win it!!

Angie Woolsey Secretary/Treasurer

Reedham Belles (Reedham and District WI)

At our monthly meeting on 1st August, we were absorbed by a talk from Gavin Bickerton-Jones about *Norfolk Wildlife through the Lens*. Not only were the photos remarkable, but we were treated to an enormous amount of information about the local birds and mammals that Gavin so carefully chronicles. To celebrate Norfolk Day, we created a community herb garden at the doctor's surgery in Reedham. Thank you to the other community groups who contributed plants and expertise.

Our September meeting is our birthday party and Happy Birthday should sound nice because we have a booked Joan Hocking, a classically trained singer, to entertain us. No doubt, she will sing some other stuff as well!

Everyone is welcome to come along and sample a WI meeting and we can be contacted via the email details below.

Mary Jones

reedhamwi@btinternet.com

REEDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held on Monday 31st July 2023 in the Village Hall

There were 7 Councillors present, the Clerk, and 5 members of the public. The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

The South Norfolk and Broadland District Councillors Ward Grants have been increased from £500 to £1,000 per annum. District Councillor Grant Nurden has given £500 to Reedham

Community Association for the Village Hall lighting fund, and will be spending his additional **14**. £500 on grass cutting equipment for Halvergate.

Chairman of the Village Hall Committee Chris Bradbury gave the following report:

There were no issues with the play equipment safety inspections for July.

On the 6th October we have arranged with Freethorpe First Responders to give some defibrillator training. It will be completely free and open to anyone who wishes to attend. It starts at 7pm. Fundraising: the RCA Stage School performances of Jack and the Beanstalk were very well attended and received some great feedback.

The July Cash Bingo jackpot wasn't won therefore the jackpot for August stands at £220 in 56 numbers or less.

At the end of August, on the 30th, we have a Quiz Night starting at 7.30pm.

We had our second Road Race this year on the 2nd July, with approximately 400 runners taking part.

There were 3 planning applications for consideration and 2 planning enforcement appeals:

- BA/2023/0244/HOUSEH – replace shed with workshop (revised siting) at Wherrymans Mill, Ferry Road. No objections.
- BA/2023/0208/HOUSEH – x2 Dormer windows in front roof, extension to outbuilding at The Rectory, Church Road. No comment or objection.
- 2023/1765 – demolition of conservatory, new side garden room with entrance lobby and cloakroom at 4B Mill Road, NR13 3TT. The Council had **no objections**.
- BA/2023/0002/ENF – appeal against Enforcement Notice at the Berney Arms Inn, Berney Arms, Great Yarmouth. Appeal reference APP/E9505/C/23/3322890, APP/E9505/C/23/3322891. The Council had no comments to submit.
- BA/2023/0003/ENF – appeal against Enforcement Notice at the Berney Arms Inn, Berney Arms, Great Yarmouth. Appeal reference APP/E9505/C/23/3322948, APP/E9505/C/23/3322949. The Council had no comments to submit.

The speed sensor was in Newtown in May/June facing Reedham. The 85% was 42.2mph of around 800 vehicles per day, which is similar to the last time in January of 43mph for 856 vehicles per day. In July it has been at the Pottles Lane/Witton Green junction where the 85% average was 32.8. It will be located on Church Road next.

There are still 2 vacancies on the Parish Council. If you have lived or worked in Reedham for at least the last 12 months and think you could contribute to the village please get in contact the Clerk for further details on the role and responsibilities of a Parish Councillor.

The Council is keen to start maintaining the Woodland Walk path from Holly Farm Road, alongside the railway, to Low Common. If any residents would be interested in joining a working group, please contact the Clerk.

Time and Date of Next Meeting.

Monday 4th September 2023 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Further details will be published on the website, Facebook page and noticeboard by the Doctor nearer the time. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

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Reedham Ringers

15.

We continue to practice at St John the Baptist, Reedham every Monday @ 4pm. It being summer and tourist season we have enjoyed welcoming visiting ringers and some non-ringers to our practices. One of the wonderful things about ringing church bells is that wherever you are, if there is church with an active tower, then you are usually welcome to join in either on a Sunday or a practice night. If you hear the bells ringing, then it is worth checking out! If anyone has ringing visitors over the summer, please let them know that Reedham band are happy to extend a warm welcome. Even if they have not touched a rope in years, we would love to meet them and encourage a return to the community of ringers.

We will be at Acle church on Sep. 4th @ 4pm rather than Reedham, so come and see us there if you are interested in what we do.

Mary Jones 01493 701388

Acle & District Royal British Legion

Acle & District Royal British Legion are holding a quiz on Friday 8 September in the Bure Room. Acle Recreation Centre. 7pm for 7.30 start. Open to both members and non-members.

Entry is £2 per person. Maximum of 6 per team. A raffle will be held. All proceeds to our district "Poppy Appeal"

In addition, SAVE THE DATE for a fund raising bingo in aid of "The Poppy Appeal" to be held on Wednesday 18 October at the same venue. More details available next issue.

Jayne Smith Secretary, Acle & District RBL

40th Anniversary of the Norfolk Churches Trust Bike Ride and Walk – Saturday 9th September

We wonder if the pioneering people who first did the Bike Ride in 1983 would believe that it is still going strong in 2023 and that the event has raised over £4.2 million for churches in the county. The challenges facing our churches are still enormous and I hope you will celebrate this 40th anniversary year by making a huge effort to support a church of your choice and the Norfolk Churches Trust by taking part in this year's event.

We would love to hear from anybody who took part in that very first bike ride. All funds raised are split between the participants' nominated church and the Norfolk Churches Trust, however all proceeds go to help maintain our wonderful Norfolk Churches. As an added incentive to take part there is a bonus of £1,000 for the 'most improved church' of the year and the Lord Lieutenant's Certificate for the person who raises the most money. Not to mention the Wall of Fame for the competitive amongst you who want to visit the most churches on the day!

We love to see your photographs, the images of those taking part, the churches that are visited and the wonderful things that are inside them. We have three prizes of £50 to those we enjoy the most and they may end up being published in the EDP.

So please email us your stories and photos to info@norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk

So, whether you cycle, walk or drive, we hope you can help us make our 40th Anniversary event the best ever.

For all the information you need, see our

website <https://norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk/bike-ride-walk/>

Norfolk Churches Trust



Above: Norfolk Churches Trust cyclists outside Limpenhoe church last year.



Wickhampton Teddy Bear Day,
13th August



ALL SAINTS' CHURCH BEIGHTON

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SATURDAY 2 SEPT

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