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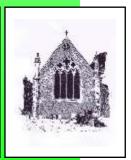
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Small Ads pin board

Welcome



Dear friends.

I talked last month about Rogation days being used to 'beat the bounds' between

parishes and to ask for God's protection on people, animals and crops as one did so. Well, in the week of 9 May we did three one-and-a-half hour prayer walks around our parishes: on Monday 9th I did a solitary walk from St Mary's Raydon, around the golf course and then back into the village; on Tuesday 10th Frances Torrington kindly led me around the back fields of Wenham and Holton in the pouring rain with her two wonderful little dogs; and then on Thursday 12th Geoff Horrex led Nicola Tindall and me around the remoter fields of Higham, Langham and Stratford to a good pub lunch at the Swan in SSM (thank you, Jane!). On each walk we started and ended with the Lord's Prayer and along the way we thanked God for the beauty of our countryside and asked his blessing on all who contribute to making it so wonderful for us to share and enjoy.

As a result, I thought it might be a nice idea to continue these prayer walks over the summer months instead of doing Silent Prayer on Mondays. So have a look in the centrefold to see if you might be able to join us - it will keep you fit, as well as being good for you spiritually! Having said which, you don't need to be a Christian or a pray-er to come with us; you just need to enjoy walking for about an hour at a time, and on the first Wednesday of the month (starting on 1 June) perhaps coming on the walk that will end with lunch at a pub in SSM (this will replace the former monthly pub lunches that

we used to have after the midweek Communion). Dogs are most welcome to join us.

As I am writing this, I am thinking about dear Ed Swift, whose funeral on 20 May I am in the middle of preparing as I write. He lived in Raydon for many years and died in April; he loved the countryside that he and his family used to farm for many years near Wrabness.

I would also like to thank those who came to Lynda Wells' memorial service in Mistley on 27 April and gave such a show of support to Terry (my predecessor-butone); he was very grateful to see so many familiar faces.

May God bless you all.

Rosalind Paul Rector



The Quartet Diary

June

- Stour Valley Men's Probus Meeting
- 5 Homemade Teas, Raydon
- 6 SSM Rambling Club
- Celebrations for 90th birthday of HM The Queen Brantham's Annual Mega Charity Garage Sale Summer Concert, Raydon
- 12 Queen's Birthday Service, Higham
- 13 SSM Rambling Club
- 15 Stour Valley Men's Probus Meeting
- 17 Clive Paine Talk, Nayland Stour Valley U3A Coffee Morning
- 18 SSM Rambling Club
- 21 Raydon Fair Trade Coffee Morning
- 24 SSM Rambling Club
- 26 R&DGC Outing to Woburn Abbey
- 29 Headway Garden Party, Otley Hall

30 SSM Rambling Club

July

- 1 HSM Lunch Club HM Queen's 90th Birthday
- 3 Homemade Teas, Raydon
- 6 Stour Valley Men's Probus Meeting
- 9 Tendring Show
- 10 SSM Rambling Club
- 11 SSM Parish Council Meeting
- 13 Stour Valley U3A Meeting
- 16 SSM Rambling Club
- 17 Stour Valley Men's Probus Lunch Nayland Street Fayre
- 19 Raydon Fair Trade Coffee Morning
- 20 Stour Valley Men's Probus Meeting
- 22 HSM Social Club Golf Day SSM Rambling Club
- 28 R&DGC local Garden viewing
- 31 Higham Village Party SSM Rambling Club

Editors Corner

It's going to be an interesting month I think, don't you? There's a lot of things going on all over the country as well as in our villages. This is the month when we have to vote on our feelings about Europe and our part in it - or not. I'm sure there are lots of differing views on that!

I think, however, for many of us we will be turning much of our attention to the Queen's Birthday. For a lot of people in our villages, the Queen has been the only monarch they have known, so this really is a special occasion. This is most definitely reflected in the Quartet this month, as we see different birthday celebrations happening in all the villages. Have a read through, and don't forget to take part in an event near you!

We would also like to bring to your attention this month a couple of articles asking for specific volunteers - namely Community First responders. Stratford and East Bergholt (serving Holton St Mary) are both asking for more people to join their teams. Do think if you can help out, the more people involved in such important organisations such as these, the easier it is on everyone, and the more likely the service will be there when you need it!

One final plug for a regular September event, the Suffolk Churches Sponsored Bike Ride. Adverts can be found in Stratford and Holton this month, and Raydon soon, I'm sure. A very popular event and worth spending time to support.

Happy reading

Anne and Jane,

Articles for the Quartet are included if we have room, and if, in the opinion of the editors, they are of general interest to our readers. Please remember all articles will be subject to editing. We prefer you to contact us via email where possible.



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Stratford St Mary

COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH SCHEME

This has been in operation since 2013 and is run by village residents giving their time in order to make our village safer for residents of all age groups by encouraging motorists to drive through our village at no more than the legal limit of 30mph.

We would, however, welcome a few more volunteers into the scheme so if you could spare just 1 or 2 hours per month please consider joining us.

Please contact
Bill Davies,3.Spanbies Road,
tel 01206 322990 for more details.

STRATFORD St. MARY PARISH ROOM

letting fees are as follows:

1 session - £17.00.
2 consecutive sessions - £30.00.
all day - £38.00.
A session is 5 hours i.e. morning afternoon- evening
Special rates for regular bookings.
Heating and lighting are included
For booking please see or ring
Don Umfreville at Christmas Cottage,
Upper Street.

Tel: 322 626.

Transport to medical appointments.

If you live in Stratford St Mary and have difficulty in getting to and from medical appointments our friendly team are happy to help.

We can also help with transport to visit people in hospital.

Please give us as much notice as you can.

ring:. Charlie Ablitt on 01206 322684 Lynn Badcock on 01206 323788



A note for Everyone

Just a reminder for house names/numbers to be visible. If an emergency vehicle needs to find your house at night, will it find it easily? Lots of names/numbers are hidden behind bushes - it would only take a few minutes to clear it but those few minutes might make a huge difference if the emergency vehicle finds your house first time.

HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST CYCLE RIDE – SATURDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2016

10 Sep - a date for your diaries.

I will pass on sponsorship forms for the annual Suffolk Churches bike ride to those who have taken part in previous years when I receive them. Newcomers are very welcome to take part, to support any church of your choice, and can contact me on 322259, call into Rosebank, Lower Street, or the Post Office Upper St, to collect a sponsorship form.

It is not too early to start finding sponsors to support your efforts.

Judi Isaac



Stratford St Mary Parish Council website has now been updated. Please pop over to www.stratfordstmary.onesuffolk.net and let us know what you think. If you would like your event advertised on the website as well as in the Quartet, whatever it may be, please let the parish clerk know on parishcouncil@stratfordstmary.org.uk



Please note the following dates for the Parish Council meetings:

July 11th 7.30pm September 12th 7.30pm November 14th 7.30pm



100 Club Winners - May

T. Nixon £40.00 J. Shanks £10.00 R. Barrell £5.00



If an emergency does arise, please contact one of the following team members:

Hilary Cairns – Emergency Team Leader

6 Mors End 01206 323417 07712 591379

hilcairns@tiscali.co.uk
Norman Woodard

12 Swaynes 01206 323015

Norman.woodard@fatbloaters.com

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42 Strickmere 01206 322482 07958 515573

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3 Spanbies 01206 322990 billdav@hotmail.com

SSM Rambling Club

Future Events

Saturday 28 May – Gipping Valley (about 4.5 miles) Monday 6 June – Halstead (about 4.5 miles)

Monday 13 June

- Polstead (about 3.5 miles) <u>6pm</u>
 Saturday 18 June
- Dedham, Lambs Corner (about 4.5 miles)

Friday 24 June

- Great Bromley (about 3 miles) 6pm
 Thursday 30 June
- Woodham Walter (about 4.5 miles)
 Sunday 10 July
- Rendlesham/Hollesley (about 4.5 miles)
 Saturday 16 July
- Dedham (about 3 miles) <u>6pm</u>
 Friday 22 July
- Newbourne/Waldringfield (about 5 miles)

Sunday 31 July

– Lawford/Manningtree (about 4 miles)picnic

Main contact is the chairman, Don Umfreville on 01206 322626. Unless stated otherwise, we meet up at 09:45 at the Parish Room, Upper Street, Stratford St Mary.

Dave George 01206 322297





We are offering all new children 2 free sessions at our 'Outstanding' preschool (Ofsted, July 2015).



Simply get in touch quoting the Quartet:

T: 01206 322466 E: abc.preschool@tesco.net www.abcpreschoolstratford.co.uk

MUMS & TOTS



Every Tuesday 9.15 – 11.30 a.m. Stratford Chapel, Upper Street Stratford St. Mary CO7 6JH

Join us every Tuesday morning at Mums & Tots. A great way to meet other mums, dads, grandparents & carers while the little ones get creative and play.

£1.00 per session Drinks & snacks provided For more details call Becky on (01206) 323095



Interested in becoming a CFR?

Why not find out what it is about?

Look at the CFR link on the East of England Ambulance Services website. You can even apply on line!

If you watch the training video - do not be alarmed - you are never expected to do mouth to mouth.

For further information, please contact your local co-ordinator.

STRATFORD ST. MARY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

(known also as "Stratford Chapel") Upper Street, Stratford St. Mary CO7 6JH

We are an evangelical/charismatic and community based Church attended by all age groups

Sunday Services:

10 a.m. Morning Praise & Worship followed by refreshments 10.15 a.m. -11.15 a.m. "Sparks on Sunday" for children aged 5 – 11 years and Youth Group for ages 12-16 years. 6.30 p.m. Prayer and Praise

Mid-Week Groups:

Tuesdays 9.30 am – 11.30 am - Mums & Tots (during term time)
Tuesday 7.30 am -9.30 am - Men's
Recreational Evening (2nd Tues every month)

Wednesday 7.30 pm – 9.30 pm - Bible Discussion and Fellowship Evening Friday 5 pm – 6.30pm – "Sparks on Friday" for Children ages 7 – 11 years Friday 7.30pm – 9.30pm - "Ignition" Youth Club for teens ages 11 – 16 yrs

For further information:

Telephone: Phil (01473) 310728 Email : philipwyncoll@btinternet.com http://www.stratfordstmarychapel.com



Colin the fishmonger has his fresh fish van in the lay-by at the bottom of Church Hill in Stratford every Thursday morning from 10.30am to 1.30pm

SSM Village Life

DON'T FORGET TO GET YOUR TICKETS FOR

Stratford St Mary's celebration of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's 90th Birthday



Saturday 11th June 2016 Stratford St Mary School Playing Field 12:30 to 18:30 Magna Games and Birthday Tea.

Tickets £3.00 each (14 years and under free).

Tickets are available now, from the School, the Post Office, the VillageLife web-site or by calling one of the telephone numbers below.

Alternatively, you can use the leaflet delivered with May's edition of Quartet to order tickets, enter the Magna-Games; take part in our photo-competition or sign-up for the Book-of-Memories project.

Please book now to avoid being disappointed.

Please note, although there will be a licensed bar, snacks and ice-cream available during the afternoon before tea is served, more substantial food options will not be available at the field.

For more information or to order tickets, please call

Brenda/ Brian: 323091; Celia/ Chris: 337363; David: 322259; Norman: 323015

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PLEASE CAN YOU HELP

Most of Stratford St Mary residents will know Terry Clark who's lived in the village for most of his life. Sadly he has had to go into a care home. This means his beloved cat Poppy needs a loving quiet home where she's the only cat (she loves small dogs).

Poppy is the sweetest gentle Tortie who will just love you and your home. Will you please consider this.

I love her but have too many cats for her to cope with. If you would like to know more about Poppy, please call Tricia on 323 441 or call in to 14 Tally Ho if you would like to meet her.

Thank you. Time is getting short

Are you interested in local History?

Stratford St Mary is looking for a new Archivist. This will be someone who is responsible for collecting and ensuring the historic journals, care οf letters. photographs and other works relating to Stratford St Mary. The Parish Council currently have the present information stored, but if the right person is able to keep to documents safely and securely at home this would be an advantage but not absolutely necessary. Also if anyone is interested or has experience in converting documents to electronic format this would also be a bonus. Please contact a member of the Parish Council or the Clerk on parishcouncil@stratfordstmary.org.uk.

Nayland Street Fayre: Sunday 17th July 2016, 11am-4pm

After nearly a year of planning the Community Council Street Fayre Committee have created a fun family day out to celebrate 50 years of the Nayland with Wissington Community Council. The 1960s themed event will start at 11am. Throughout the day there will be scheduled performances in Nayland High Street from various performers including the Village Players, Nayland Choir and 1960s band, The Caverners

The street will be alive with activities for you all to enjoy: vintage car rides to Stoke by Nayland, a shooting range, children's roundabout, face painting, community art project, photo booth, plant/produce stalls, Pimms bar, jewellery/upholstery stalls, table tennis, quizzes, punch and Judy, refreshments stalls and much, much more. There will be a dress the doll competition and a 60s themed fancy dress competition, with prizes in the fancy dress in the following categories; under 7 years, 8-11 years, 12-1 7years, adult and the best group entry which could be a family or stall entry.

The church will be open to house an art exhibition and a display the 50 year history of the Community Council. There will also be an opportunity to win a spectacular flower display.

This is an event not to be missed. Due to a generous Community Council grant, entry is free, so put the date in your diary and come along and enjoy this village family day out.

More information:

www.naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk



The Institute hall

can be hired at reasonable rates for a wide range of social activities. For more information please contact our booking secretary, Norman Woodard on 01206 323015, his email is ssminstitute.bookings@gmail.com and his home address is 12 Swaynes,Stratford St Mary.

Many thanks to all our 100 Club subscribers for your continued support in helping us to maintain your village hall. Membership costs only £1 per month and you could win £40 first prize in our monthly draw. Contact Sue or Eddie Lawrence on 01206 322066 if you wish to join.



Notice of Vacancy

PARISH COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that there is a vacancy on Stratford St Mary Parish Council. The vacancy has previously been advertised, and no election has been requested. The Council is now able to fill the vacancy by co-option.

Application should be made in writing to the Chairman to the Council and delivered or posted to 3 Spanbies Road,Stratford St Mary,Suffolk CO7 6YH EMAIL billdav@hotmail.com

Applicants are asked to give brief reasons for offering their services to the Council. Any elector interested in applying is welcome to contact the Chairman for further details. The successful applicant will be chosen following consideration by the Parish Council.

Village Life - A Book of Memories



Collaboration is underway between VillageLife and the Church Fabric Fund to create a book of stories/anecdotes and photographs covering all aspects of village life with particular reference to changes over time (i.e. the history behind village names such as 'Gooseacre': the various shops we've had, petrol stations, tea rooms, the doctors and the morgue etc.) as well as tales about village characters such as the one about the church warden pinching wood for the church boiler from Tilly's fish drying operation in Church Cottage.

The project will be officially launched at HMQ 90 in June and we will be looking for volunteers to help with the gathering of information as well as contributions from villagers who have memories they would like to share. The information gathering will be undertaken in various ways, involving coffee mornings: wine cheese evenings etc. to help stimulate everybody's memory process. We also plan to devote one of VillageLife's Stories by the Fire evenings at the Swan next winter, to readings from the collection, as part of the final selection process.

If you would like to 'be part of it', call Julie on 0798 963 9583 or Brian on 01206 323 091

VillageLife - be part of it!

Raydon



Fair Trade Coffee Morning

April 26th, you'd expect the weather to be quite nice now for our coffee morning today, well

not so! It was very cold with sleet showers but thankfully we seem to be a hardy bunch and had a good turn out for this month's event. It was a little sombre though as sadly two of our regulars had passed away, with one of the funeral's being after our coffee morning.

Arrangements for our Fashion show were top of the talk today, still looking for a couple of models to show the Edinburgh Woollen Mills clothes off, but with a couple of names still to contact I'm sure we'll find some willing (or maybe pressganged) participants. It's the first time there's been a show like this in the village so hopefully it will be a fun and successful fundraising evening.

Our knitters for Haiti are busy with more squares arriving, but we do need more double knitting wool so if you know of anyone who might have some to spare put in a request for us please.

Our next Fair Trade Coffee Morning will have been held before the Quartet is distributed, so June 21st is the date for your diary, midsummer day so perhaps we can have an "EI Fresco" coffee morning in lovely sunshine!

Whatever the weather a warm welcome will await you, so thanks for your support and see you on June 21st.

Wendy Mumford 312123

I write to you as a parishioner of Raydon and a regular walker around the footpaths which surround our village.

The footpaths are reasonably maintained and offer a great deal of pleasure to the residents and also the visitors to our fine county.

The footpaths also offer people the ideal opportunity to walk their dogs but unfortunately we still have a prevalence of a small number of people leaving dog waste on our paths.

We all recognize the unhygienic nature of this practice particularly to children and I know that we all accept that dog walkers should abide by the rule of the countryside and either use the bin provided at the Noaks Road end of the footpath or take it home to be disposed of in a hygienic way.

May I politely ask the people concerned to refrain from this undesirable practice and think of their fellow walkers.

Happy Walking

Jim Lowe

RAYDON PARISH COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!

Raydon Parish Council should have nine Parish Councillors - at the moment we have only five. We wish to fill the four vacancies in order to be able to represent you as effectively as possible. In particular, we are keen to recruit people from Lower Raydon as the existing Councillors are all from the upper part of the village.

The job of a Parish Councillor is to represent the interest of the village as a whole. As a Parish Councillor you will represent the electors of Raydon in raising and discussing those issues on which the Parish Council is empowered to act. You will be expected to attend the regular Council meetings, which are held monthly on a Thursday. Membership of the Council is open to electors whose residence is in Raydon or within 3 miles of Raydon, or whose principal place of work is Raydon. Training is available through SALC (Suffolk Association of Local Councils).

If you wish to support your village and are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor, please contact me

Jane Cryer Clerk to Raydon Parish Council 01473 824287 / 07920 713940 raydonpc@gmail.com



Fashion Show

Just to thank everyone who came and supported this fun event which raised a grand total of £281 for our Fabric Fund

Homemade Teas

at St Mary's Church, Raydon

Sunday 5 June 2016 Sunday 3 July 2016 Sunday 7 August 2016 Sunday 4 September 2016

Teas served from 3.00 to 5.00 pm



In aid of our Fabric Fund.

Raydon Century Club Draws:

APRIL

£25 60 Mr P Ashton £15 30 Mrs W Mum

£15 30 Mrs W Mumford £10 68 Mrs C Neckrews

£5 16 Mrs N Summers

£5 86 Jane Bridgewater

£5 112 Mrs P Palfreman £5 125 Mrs J Lee

MAY

£25 107 Mrs J West

£15 75 Mr K Whiting

£10 46 Mrs D Horrex

£5 6 Nadia Hajaig

£5 78 Mrs C Neckrews

£5 102 Mrs A Savill

£5 9 Charlie Cook

Raydon and District Gardening Club

We are in the middle of May as I write these notes and what a wonderful month for colour both in our own gardens, and all around us in the countryside. The Suffolk bluebell woods have delivered once again that fantastic display of royal blue accompanied by wonderful perfume, hope some of you have been able to enjoy them. with dappled light coming through all the fresh green leaves (so many different shades of green in springtime) they are a joy to behold. The birds are all busy nesting and singing (sadly not as many as there used to be) but I have been lucky enough to hear the Cuckoo this year when walking in the Brett valley at Higham last week, and its great to see the House Martins, Swallows & Swifts back flying overhead.

On the 28th April Ann Tweedle (Plant Heritage) gave us a very interesting & informative talk c/w slides on the subject of pruning especially things like roses, apple trees, fruit bushes etc. These tips on how to prune are always very useful and it should help us produce better crops of flowers and fruit in the future.

Sunday June 26th annual coach outing this year to Woburn Abbey, gardens & additional Garden Show. There may be odd couple of seats available so why not phone as you may still be able to come.

NOTE:- Pick up points and times this year are 1) Hadleigh (opp Holbrows Garage) 8.00am, 2) Raydon Village Hall 8.15am, 3) Raydon Mid street 8.25am, 4) Pipers Went corner 8.30am. Drop off on return in reverse order.

We aim to be at Woburn about 10.30 ish in time for coffee etc. Note this year there will be a short comfort stop only on route at Cambridge Services and like wise on return. We have a change of coach company this year called "3 C's" coaches of Nedging. Look forward to a lovely day out once again.

Geoff Horrex 01473 310422



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SPEEDING - HELP TO MAKE RAYDON SAFER

It is a matter of extreme concern to your Parish Council that speeding traffic in the village is becoming more prevalent by the day - and statistics show an alarming picture.

Your Parish Council is determined to try to alleviate this problem and is considering a number of speed detection devices suitable for our road conditions and effective as deterrents.

Research has involved a lengthy consultation with neighbouring parishes who have already acquired such equipment and operated it for some time. We can report that the most effective means of curbing speeding, based on our consultation, appears to be Community Speedwatch. Some parishes say that the results have been conclusive - speeding has been noticeably reduced.

However, this would require volunteers to operate the equipment. Please contact me if you would be prepared to participate, should the PC decide to go ahead with this initiative – full training would be given.

You can find out more about Community Speedwatch by visiting:

http://www.suffolk.police.uk/safetyadvice/roadsafety/knowthelaw/speeding/communityspeedwatch.aspx

Jane Cryer Clerk to Raydon Parish Council 01473 824287 / 07920 713940 raydonpc@gmail.com

If you would like to see copies of the minutes of any Raydon Parish Council meetings, please contact Jane Cryer, Parish Clerk on 07920 713940, or email her at raydonpc@gmail.com.

August A Fayre

A mazing family day out

U nbelievably good barbeque

G reat plant stall

U musual range of bric-a-brac

S uperb cake stall

T errific teas and coffees

A bsolutely fabulous grand raffle

F antastic second hand books

A tempting tombola

Y esterday's vintage vehicles to explore

R ange of family games

E veryone's favourite hoopla

St Mary's Church,
Raydon
SATURDAY 6
AUGUST 2016
10am until 4pm



Raydon Club is open to residents of this parish and will in future be held on Wednesday evenings each week from 8.30 till 11 pm.

Licenced bar, pool, darts etc. Look forward to seeing you!



For the Queen's Birthday

By Hadleigh Choral Society

Raydon Church Saturday 11th June 6.45pm

With pre-Concert drinks and canapés Tickets £7.00 from 01473 310320/312123

Higham



Higham Church invites you to

A Service of Celebration and Thanksgiving to mark HM The Queen's 90th Birthday

Sunday 12th June at 10 o'clock

A toast to The Queen will be made after the Service

Refreshments

We are also hoping to take a commemorative Village photograph.

HIGHAM VILLAGE PARTY



Bring family and friends to join the fun by the river, in the field by Higham Church:-

Live music, canoeing, boat trips, rough cricket, BBQ, raffle and more.

Tickets £15 per adult Under 16's £5.00

Available from Sara Carr 01206 337325 Caroline 01206 337234 email:

carr.kingfisher@btopenworld.com Raising funds for Higham Church South Door Project

Holton St Mary

Holton St Mary Village Hall

can be hired at very reasonable rates! Available during the day and most evenings (not Friday) from £17.00

Saturdays from £35.00

For further information and booking please contact Rachel Eagle on 01473 310550

R.I.P.

Villagers of Holton St. Mary will be sad to learn of the death of Tony Handscombe at his home in Norfolk. A long time resident, Tony was for many years an assiduous and caring Churchwarden with a love for our church. I have the address for his wife, Cynthia, if anyone wishes to contact her.

Jean Styles

Holton St Mary Social Club

Whist – Last Friday of the Month Golf Day – 22nd July – See John Partridge for details Quiz Night – 15th October

The First Friday of the Month Lunch Club!



First Friday of the Month; 1st July 2016 Birthday Tea for HM The Queen

Every first Friday of the month, a lunch club is held in the Village Hall for residents of Holton St Mary. A light lunch is served between 12.30 and 2.00 pm at a cost of £2.50 each.

The First Friday of the Month Lunch Club on the 1st of July will be an opportunity for residents to mark HM The Queen's 90th Birthday. The lunch will take the form of a celebratory tea with sandwiches, savouries and cake, Pimms and tea/coffee.

The First Friday of the Month Lunch Club is a collaboration between some of the organised groups in the village, and is non-profit making!

Any surplus funds are reinvested.

To reserve a place, please contact Frances Torrington (01473 312046/ familytorrington@btinternet.com) or Sally Pearce 01473 311572 / pearces8@hotmail.com at least a week beforehand for catering purposes.



A donation has been made so that residents of Holton St Mary may receive training in the use of the Community Public Access Defibrillator. To express an interest in training please give contact details to the Parish Clerk via email: hsmparishclerk@yahoo.co.uk or 01473 824388



SUFFOLK HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

Sponsored Bike Ride and Walk

Saturday 10th Sept 2016, 9am - 5pm

Cyclists and walkers of all ages are invited to take part in the annual Bike Ride and Walk.

If you enjoy cycling and/or walking, why not take part this year and cycle or walk around the Suffolk countryside and raise money for Holton St Mary Church?

Apart from discovering the beauty of our countryside, churches and chapels, you will find it is a challenge and a good day out.

If you do not wish to cycle or walk, you can still take part by being one of those who welcome and sign in visiting cyclists.

For more details and sponsor forms please contact:

Caroline Favell

tel: 01473 310268

Clive Paine, known to many for his fascinating talks on Suffolk churches, will be at Nayland on Friday 17th June for another of his "Let Loose" talks on St James' Church. The talk starts at 7.00pm (just time for an early supper at the Crown, Stoke by Nayland!) and is in aid of Suffolk Historic Churches Trust. The latter are making a huge difference to churches with significant lead roofs, by grantaiding the installation of roof alarms on those threaten, throughout Suffolk.

Additional support for Suffolk's young people

More online resources are now available to support the emotional health and wellbeing of young people in Suffolk.

These resources are being highlighted during Mental Health Awareness Week (16 – 22 May) and follow the recent workshops with young people in Suffolk secondary schools who said they wanted to use technology and social media to access professional help and support.

Today (Tuesday 17 May) sees the official launch of a brand new online chat support service, *Ask the 4YP Expert*, with experienced youth workers from Suffolk charity 4YP offering confidential advice every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 5 –7 p.m. until the end of summer. Anyone aged 12 – 25 years can go online and ask a 4YP expert about any issue that is affecting them.

The Suffolk-focused website *The Source* has been refreshed and is an invaluable guide for young people to help them with issues that matter to them, including anxiety, depression, self-harm and eating disorders. The site has been developed to provide clear explanations to address what concerns young people and signposts them to support and further help.

These additional support services for young people form an integral part of the county's five-year Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing Plan. This plan has been created by service users and their families, Suffolk County Council, NHS lpswich and East Suffolk and NHS West Suffolk clinical commissioning groups and voluntary and community sector groups. The plan aims to deliver joined-up, family focused emotional wellbeing services which result in earlier help and better outcomes.

Ask the 4YP expert at

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Constable singers have had some very good pre Christmas concerts/ events at Flatford, Wivenhoe, Hare and Hounds E. Bergholt and at Claydon and Capel.

We meet at East Bergholt Lamb School each Thursday at 7pm apart from the second Thursday when we are at Holton Village Hall to sing from the musicals and popular music. We would welcome new members so come and have a free session .No need to be able to read music and we sing along to cd's or guitar.

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Our **Sponsored Walk** returns for a second year on **Saturday 3 September** at 11.00am after a successful inaugural event that saw 60 participants and £3,000 raised.

An incredible 800 people are attending our 2nd Neuro conference on Wednesday 5 October at two venues -Adastral Park in Martlesham and Conference Centre in Kesgrave www.headwaysuffolk.org.uk/events for further details

Enquire by contacting Helen on 01473 712225 or email info@headwaysuffolk.org.uk

Stour Valley Men's Probus Club

On Wednesday 4th May our speaker is yet to be

confirmed and on Wednesday 18th May Harry Parsons gave a most interesting talk to us about "The Building of the Millennium Tower at Bury St Edmunds". On 1st June John Field will talk to us on "Giles, The Cartoonist, and his adopted town" and on 15th June John Tingey will talk about the great work undertaken by the RNLI. On 6 July Lewis Tyler will talk about "The River Gipping Trust" and David Brown will talk on "The Land of the Dragon" on 20 July. Our popular Summer Lunch takes place at the Venture Centre on Sunday 17 July.

We meet at the convenient St John Ambulance HQ, Manningtree CO11 1EB. Our Club endeavours to be simple in structure, be free of the constraints and obligations of service clubs, and involve members to a minimal cost. The club is directed primarily to providing fellowship between members who are compatible with each other, and provide opportunity for development of acquaintances. members are New welcomed by Stour Valley Men's Probus Club, we meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month in Manningtree at 10.30am. Please contact Secretary Brian Rolfe on 01206 393665 for further details.

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THE THIRD AGE TRUST

Stour Valley U3A

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in a Landscape". He asked that having seen
The Hay Wain so often do we no longer see
it at all? He also confirmed that Constable
was one of the greatest religious painters that
this country has ever produced..

Members and potential new members are invited to join us at the Constable Hall on Friday 17th June 2016 at 10.00am. The benefits of joining our U3A will be explained together with details of the many activities of the Interest Groups. The Committee and Interest Group Leaders will be present to answer your queries and light refreshments will be provided.

On Wednesday 13 July Brian Cornell, a former Thames lighterman on the River Thames, will talk on "The Thames Watermen & Lightermen". This promises to be an interesting first-hand account of the operating practices of the Port of London in the postwar era

We don't have a speaker meeting in August but hold our popular Summer Dinner on Friday 5 August at the Constable Hall.

On Wednesday 14 September Dr John Ashdown-Hill FSA, FRHistS, historian, writer & lecturer will talk on "Mythology of Richard III". He will explore the traditional mythology & modern myths which have emerged since the discovery of his remains in 2012. Was he a usurper? How many did he kill? Who was really responsible for finding his remains?

We meet at The Constable Hall, Gandish Road, East Bergholt CO7 6TP at 2.15pm. Annual membership costs £12 a year and this entitles members to attend the meetings that take place on the second Wednesday of each month, except August and December.

Our main purpose is to encourage lifelong learning for those who are no longer in full time employment and emphasis is always placed on making learning active and fun as well as helping in developing friendships. We have a wide range of groups including language study, country walking, computer studies and gardens, churches and historic buildings visits. In the main, membership is drawn from communities in the lower Stour Valley and adjacent areas Brantham, Capel St Mary, Dedham, East Bergholt, Holbrook, Lawford, Manningtree, Raydon, & Stratford St Mary. affiliated to the ThirdAge Trust, have over 230 members and 21 groups. For further information please visit www.stourvallevu3a.org.uk where membership secretary Val Pretty may be contacted.

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East Bergholt Heartwatch Committee

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Households and businesses collectively produce an incredible 180 million tonnes of rubbish a year in England alone. Add to this fact that you are never too far away from a rat – or any pest for that matter – if you don't secure your bins properly, you put your home at risk of attracting unwanted visitors such as rodents, seagulls, squirrels, cockroaches and wasps. If waste is not put into bins, or the bins are overflowing, then it's not long before this food source is exploited.

So What's the Solution?

If you have a rat or bin pest problem, the best thing to do is to call on the experts to treat your infestation and offer advice on proofing.

Here are three common pests that are attracted to unsecured bins:

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Mice – Like rats, they live where humans do and are attracted by a ready food source. As they can get through gaps as small as 25 mm they can be a real menace. Kitchen hygiene and proper waste disposal is vital to keep these rodents at bay.

Seagulls – Unsecured bins or bags of rubbish left open are a target for gulls who can raid bins and rip open bin bags, scattering your waste across the street. It is advisable to put household bags out on the day of collection and invest in a lidded bin, if you haven't been supplied with a wheelie bin.

There is more information about bin pests on www.eandspestsolutions.co.uk or ring 01473 328092 for further free advice.

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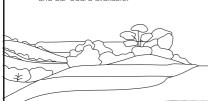
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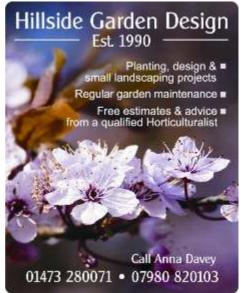
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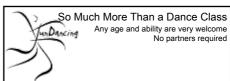
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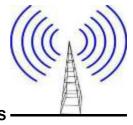
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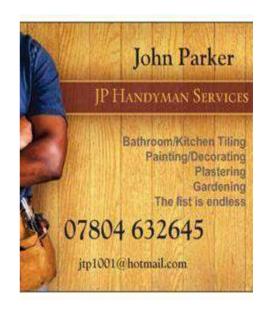
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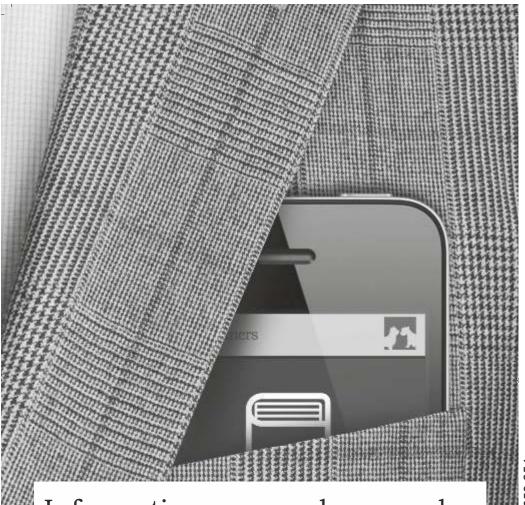
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Morning Prayer in June

This month, instead of Morning Prayer, we shall be doing a special series of Prayer Walks, meeting first at the churches. The walks - which are open to anyone (and dogs!) who would like to join us - will be as follows:

1 June 11.30 starting from SSM church and ending with lunch at a pub

6 June 11.00 starting from Raydon church 23 June 11.00 starting from Higham church 27 June 11.00 starting from Holton church

Midweek Communion

This month's short service of Holy Communion in the Parish Room at Stratford St Mary will be at 10 a.m. on **15 June.**

Services in June and July

| | 8.00 am | 10.00 a.m. | 6.30p.m. |
|----------------------|---------|-------------------------------------|----------|
| 5 th | | SSM | Holton |
| 12 th | | Higham (Rev'd Janice White) | Raydon |
| 19 th | | Holton | SSM |
| 26 th | Higham | Raydon SSM Family Hour | |
| 3 rd July | | SSM | Holton |
| 10 th | | Higham | Raydon |
| 17 th | | Holton | |
| 24 th | Higham | Raydon SSM Family Hour | |
| 31 st | | 11am. Hadleigh Deanery Eucharist | |



New Testament Readings and Collects for weekdays in June

5 June: *Trinity* 2. Faithful Creator, whose mercy never fails, deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

6th Luke 13.1-9. Ini Kopuria, Founder of the Melanesian Brotherhood, 1945

7th Luke 13.10-21

8th Luke 13.22-end. Thomas Ken, Bishop of Bath and Wells, Non-Juror,

Hymn Writer, 1711 Luke 14.1-11. Columba, Abbot of Iona, Missionary, 597

9th Luke 14.1-11. 10th Luke 14.12-24

11th Acts 4.32-end. *Barnabas the Apostle*

12 June: *Trinity* 3. God our Saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power and help us to hold fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

- 13th Luke 15.1-10
- 14th Luke 15.11-end. Richard Baxter, Puritan Divine, 1691
- 15th Luke 16.1-18. Evelyn Underhill, Spiritual Writer, 1941
- 16th Luke 16.19-end. Richard, Bishop of Chichester, 1253
- 17th Luke 17.1-10. Samuel & Henrietta Barnett, Social Reformers, 1913 & 1936
- 18th Luke 17.11-19. Bernard Mizeki, Apostle of the MaShona, Martyr, 1896
- 19 June: *Trinity 4*. Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world. Draw us into harmony with your will, that we may find all things restored in him, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.
- 20th Luke 17.20-end
- 21st Luke 18.1-14
- 22nd Luke 18.15-30. Alban, First Martyr of Britain, c. 250
- 23rd Luke 18.31-end. Etheldreda, Abbess of Ely, c. 678
- 24th Luke 3.1-17. *The Birth of John the Baptist*
- 25th Luke 19.11-27
- 26 June: *Trinity 5*. Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- 27th Luke 19.28-40. Cyril, Bishop of Alexandria, Teacher of the Faith, 444
- 28th Luke 19.41-end. Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyon, Teacher of the Faith, c. 200
- 29th Acts 11.1-18. Peter and Paul, Apostles
- 30th Luke 20.9-19
- 1st Luke 20.20-26. Henry, John and Henry Venn the Younger, Priests, Evangelical Divines, 1797, 1813 & 1873
- 2nd Luke 20.27-40



For your diaries

1 June 11.30 a.m. SSM prayer walk starting from the church and

ending with lunch at a pub

5 June 3-5 p.m. Raydon, Tea in the Church

6 June 11.30 a.m. Raydon, prayer walk starting from the church 6.45 p.m. Raydon, Hadleigh Choral Society Concert 11.30 a.m. Higham prayer walk starting from the church

7 p.m. Bishop Martin leads a service for the Deanery at St Mar's

Hadleigh

27 June 11.30 a.m. Holton prayer walk starting from the church

14 July Joint PCC meeting, SSM

11 August Open house at the Rectory from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.



For your prayers

For Nicola Tindall as she continues her studies to become a Reader

For Ross Riley and Emma Mitchell as they get married in Higham on 4 June

· For those who are ill or in need:

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