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**Rev**

The Archbishop has been in the news recently, but it is not for this reason that I wish to mention him. Along with the Archbishop of York they are inviting all churches to take part in an initiative under the heading Thy Kingdom Come. You no doubt are familiar with this phrase as it comes from the Lord's Prayer, the prayer that Jesus taught His disciples to pray when they asked Him how they were to pray. They'd seen Him go off on His own to pray, seen Him pray with others, seen Him pray in the synagogue but they were still uncertain as to how they should pray.

Today The Lord's Prayer still forms the basis of how we are to pray and the phrase Thy Kingdom Come refers to the line where Christians invoke God's peaceful and loving Kingdom to come to earth as it is in heaven. Out of God's love for us Jesus Christ calls every person to follow Him. So at the heart of our prayers are the words of Jesus Himself –

*'Thy kingdom come, thy will be done.'*

As Christians it's our duty and joy to share that invitation and so usher in God's Kingdom here on earth. That's why the Archbishops of Canterbury and York are inviting every church in England to join a week of prayer this Pentecost, from 8-15th May for the nation to experience once again a fresh outpouring of the blessing of God's grace, mercy and love.

It is impossible to overstate the life-transforming power of the Lord's Prayer. It is a prayer that is reassuring enough to be on the lips of the dying and yet dangerous enough to be banned in cinemas. It is famous enough to be spoken each day by billions in hundreds of languages and yet intimate enough to draw us ever closer into friendship with Jesus Christ. It is simple enough to be memorised by small children and yet profound enough to sustain a whole lifetime of prayer. When we pray it with sincerity and with joy, there is no imagining the new ways in which God can use us to His glory.

The Archbishops are suggesting various ways churches can engage with the week of prayer. These include holding a day or week of continuous '24/7' prayer in parishes; saying special prayers in Sunday worship; prayer walking; or handing out a novena (novena means nine) prayer card to every congregation member. And the local churches here will be involved in this, so watch out for the posters we will be putting up when plans have been made!

Hopefully we can all, regardless of how well we know Jesus, or how long we have been one of His disciples pray! This initiative will help us to pray in an intentional way by encouraging us to pray for our friends, neighbours, the communities that we live in as well as for our nation so that more can discover what it means to have a living relationship with Jesus Christ, the Son of God who rose from the dead and so is alive today.

So what is the significance of praying this way at Pentecost? Well Pentecost is a Christian holy day that celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit 50 days after Easter. Many Christians consider it the birthday of the Christian

church and celebrate it as such.

Originally, Pentecost was a Jewish holiday held 50 days after Passover. One of three major feasts during the Jewish year, it celebrated Thanksgiving for harvested crops. However, Pentecost for Christians means something far different.

Before Jesus was crucified, he told his disciples that the Holy Spirit would come after him:

*And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counsellor to be with you forever — the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.*

*John 14:16-18*

And 50 days after Jesus was resurrected (10 days after he ascended into heaven), that promise was fulfilled when Peter and the early Church were in Jerusalem for the Jewish festival of Pentecost:

*When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.*

*Acts 2:1-4*

The Holy Spirit helps us know and understand God's love and helps us to feel God's actual presence in our lives. He helps us to understand who God is, the sort of person He is, because He helps us understand God's word to us. He is an important part of every Christian as He gives us the courage to do things for God, and is the way in which God releases His sovereign supernatural power to us, His followers, so we are equipped in every way to do the task before us. So as we approach Pentecost let's pray for every person to receive the joy of knowing Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour through a life-transforming faith in God by the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit.

With every blessing

*Chris Norburn.*

#### **From the Registers**

- 8th March : Funeral with burial in the Churchyard, St Mary's Church , Redgrave of Stanley Gerald (Tiny) Goddard  
Died 10th February 2016 age 95
- 23rd March : Funeral with burial in the Churchyard, St Mary's Church , Redgrave of David Leslie Chaplin,  
Died 5th March 2016 age 77
- 23rd March : Funeral with burial in the Churchyard, at St Mary's Rickinghall Inferior of Donald Victor Webb  
Died 6th March 2016 age 88
- 5th April : Funeral with burial in the Churchyard, at St Mary's Rickinghall Inferior of Beryl Joyce Hill  
Died 11th March 2016 age 81

## PARISH MAGAZINE—MESSAGE FROM THE EDITORS

According to Foreign Policy magazine, for 20 years after the end of the Cold War, deadly conflict was in decline. However, 5 years ago that positive trend went into reverse, and each year since has seen more conflict, more victims, and more people displaced. In this context, the international day of UN peacekeepers falls during May. It was established to: honour the memory of the UN peacekeepers who have lost their lives in the cause of peace; pay tribute to all the men and women who have served and continue to serve in UN peacekeeping operations for their high level of professionalism, dedication and courage.

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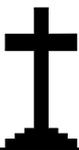
### Changes to June Telephone List

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substitute with :  
Mrs Jane Dorling Tel : 890 202



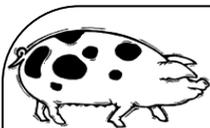
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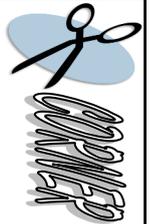


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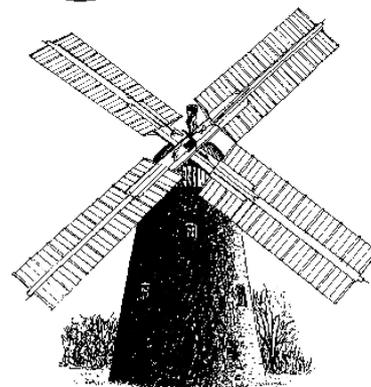
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# Botesdale Parish Council

Leeann-Jackson-Eve



## April Report – Leeann Jackson-Eve (Clerk)

All councillors were present along with 1 member of the public and County Councillor Jessica Fleming.

**Public Forum:** County Cllr Jessica Fleming reported on the **Community Bus** - the new service arrangements come into effect on Mon 13th June 2016. Information on services can be found at [www.suffolkonboard.com](http://www.suffolkonboard.com). Details of the providers and how the new system will operate will be available shortly. The Rickingham & Botesdale Good Neighbour Scheme will continue to provide a service more or less as it does now.

**Grass Verge Cutting** - Suffolk Highways will commence the first of two cuts on the A and B road network in May and take around two weeks to complete. The second cut will be in July. C and U road verges will receive a single cut beginning around 6th June and will take around six weeks. Details and updates can be found at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/grass-cutting](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/grass-cutting). Weed-spraying will commence during April and be repeated in August.

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**Devolution** – A proposal has been drafted to include Local Enterprise Partnerships with Cambridgeshire, Peterborough, Norfolk and Suffolk. The positions of the relevant local authorities regarding the proposal and regional elected mayor is not yet resolved and public consultation is expected over the summer period. Background to the project can found in a 2012 Report by Lord Heseltine entitled 'No Stone Unturned in the Pursuit of Growth': [www.gov.uk/government/publications/no-stone-untuned-in-pursuit-of-growth](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/no-stone-untuned-in-pursuit-of-growth)

**Planning:** There were three planning decisions reported, two of which related to the land to the rear of Osmond House, The Street and granted planning permission and listed building consent for the erection of 3 dwellings, a shared carport, parking and turning areas. There was also a decision on an application from May 2015 at Lodge Farm, Mill Road for Change of Use of an agricultural building to a dwelling house (Use Class C3). Prior Approval was granted for this.

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**Grant Funding:** It was agreed to continue to limit grant giving to local organisations and grants were agreed to the Parochial Church Council for local churchyard maintenance, the Rickingham Day Centre, the Neighbourhood Watch, Barwoods (for public liability insurance for Millers Orchard) and for part of the costs of the annual Remembrance Day event. It was also agreed to give a one-off grant of £1,000 to the village hall for new flooring. Payments will be made in May. If you are a local organisation with need of additional funding for a specific project, please contact the Clerk.

**Part-night Lighting:** A request was received to extend lighting times near the Greyhound Pub and this was agreed. The lights will be on slightly longer past midnight on the weekend, in line with the times near the Bell Inn.

**Car Park at Play Area:** A request was made to consider installing a car park at the far end of the play area for the convenience of parents with young children. What do you think of this idea? Are there any other changes you like to see at the play area? There will be a working party at the end of the month where councillors will tidy and clean the area.

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# Redgrave Parish Council



Leeann Jackson-Eve

## March Report – by the Clerk

The March meeting was by all Parish Councillors, County Councillor Jessica Fleming, District Councillor Derek Osborne, 10 members of the public and the Clerk.

**Annual Parish Meeting:** The evening started a half hour early to accommodate the annual parish meeting. Reports were displayed from a variety of local organisations and refreshments were served courtesy of Rosemary Walker (thank you!). The issue of speeding, particularly by lorries, was brought up as an ongoing problem. The Parish Council has done everything within its power to combat speeding including its support of the Speedwatch group and the purchase of the new VAS. The VAS records actual speeds (despite the display only going up to 40, it will record speeds over that!) and the data is downloaded regularly and sent to the police to build up a picture of speeding in the village. It was noted that the locations of the VAS are dictated by Suffolk County Council (SCC) highways department so although you may feel they are not ideal, the PC is not permitted to locate them anywhere else. The problem of lorries and other wide vehicles mounting the pavement is also a concern and the PC has enquired about a weight restriction on the B1113. Unfortunately, we have been told this is unlikely as it would force traffic onto other, even less suitable roads. However, SCC would like to know where the problems are and have an online reporting tool that you can use to report HGV incidents. You will need to have the date/time/location of the incident, the vehicle registration number and the name and address of the company involved to report it at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/lorry-management/report-a-heavy-goods-vehicle-incident](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/lorry-management/report-a-heavy-goods-vehicle-incident). You can also report things like overnight parking and littering related to lorries.

**Public Forum:** County Cllr Fleming reported that problems with lorries are widespread and a meeting has been arranged in May with interested parties to address some of these concerns more strategically. She also reported that the new service arrangements for community buses come into effect on Mon 13th June 2016. The Rickingham & Botesdale Good Neighbour scheme will continue more or less as it does now with the same contact information. Suffolk Highways will start cutting back grass verges on the A and B road network in May and take around two weeks to complete. A second cut will take place in July. C and U road verges will receive a single cut beginning around 6th June and will take around six weeks. Details and updates can be found at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/grass-cutting](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/grass-cutting). Weed-spraying will commence during April and be repeated in August.

**Planning:** There was one planning application at Orchard House, Half Moon Lane for erection of a front first floor extension and an application for tree works at Pond House, Churchway to reduce two cedars in height by 4m and 3m respectively. There was no objection to either application.

**Speedwatch:** The quarterly report was received and it was noted that the group was only able to run two sessions in January, two in February and two in March. During January and February this was due to adverse weather conditions, but in March the Speedar device failed because the batteries would no longer take and hold a charge. The PC agreed to fund

the purchase of two new batteries at a cost of £33.50 each. During January five motorists were reported, in February only three and in March nine. Though the total numbers of vehicles passing is not recorded, these figures continue to underline the fact that whilst operating the Speedwatch group has a major effect on the speed of traffic. As you will have seen, the vehicle activated speed sign has been working since 9th February and is currently at its third location in the village. The data from the sign will help the Speedwatch group use their time in a more targeted way and will help inform police initiatives. All Speedwatch members are volunteers so the time they can dedicate to these operations is limited. More volunteers are needed so if you would like to help, please get in touch

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**Redgrave Shop:** The shop continues to provide a vital service to the community and to cover the costs of running the service. However, it has received an invoice of close to £1,000 for buildings insurance, not only for this year, but to cover previous years of operation. It is seeking advice from a solicitor as this is an unexpected cost and would use up any reserves held for replacement of equipment, etc.

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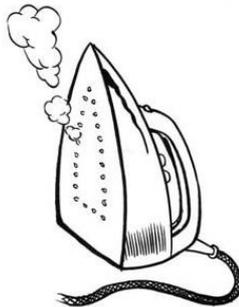
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# Rickinghall Parish Council



Rickinghall Parish Council's April meeting was moved to 21 April to accommodate the Annual Parish Meeting so there will be no report in this month's magazine. The June magazine will report on both April and May meetings. The Parish Council is happy to dedicate its report page this month to a subject which comes up on a very regular basis.



## Dog Fouling

Botesdale, Redgrave and Rickinghall Parish Councils are regularly contacted about dog fouling in the parishes and are asking residents and other dog walkers to help us

do something about it.

Apart from being unsightly and a nuisance, dog fouling can be a health risk, as it often contains the parasitic roundworm *Toxocara*. Contact with *Toxocara* can lead to contracting the disease *Toxocariasis* which leads to flu-like symptoms and if untreated can lead to eye damage or blindness. Fresh faeces is not infectious (so it's safe for owners to clean up after their dogs) but if the faeces is left for 2-3 weeks it may become infectious. Each deposit of dog faeces can carry up to 1 million *Toxocara* eggs. *Toxocariasis* is contracted through contact with faeces through swallowing – this is often through touching infected items such as shoe soles and toys without washing hands adequately afterwards. For this reason the disease is more common amongst children, so it is especially alarming that people are failing to clear up after their dogs in areas regularly used by children, such as the pavements and verges leading to the school.

It is an offence under the Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996 not to clear up after your dog. Mid Suffolk District Council is able to issue 'Fixed Penalty Notice' fines of £50 as an alternative to prosecution (where the potential fine is £1,000), to those caught in the act.

Don't let the thoughtless actions of a few give the dog owners of our villages a bad name – if you have a dog, please ensure that you always bag its faeces and either put it in a dog bin, public litter bin or double wrap it and put it in your black wheelie bin. Please do not bag it and toss it in an overgrown verge or leave it hanging on a bush/tree as so many do – as we've explained above, this allows it the time to become infectious if it contains *Toxocara*. Also, it's very unpleasant for our litter pickers to encounter!

If you see anyone failing to clean up after their dog, politely encourage others to do their duty (many people fail to clean up when they think there is no-one else around). If you do not feel confident about making contact, please let the District Council know who they are – it is possible that they could be issued with a fine. If you do not know who they are, but are able to give a description of them and the registration of their vehicle, please let the District Council know so that they can follow it up.

You can contact the Council by visiting the Council Offices on High Street, Needham Market, by calling 01473 826622 or emailing [environmentalhealth@midsuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:environmentalhealth@midsuffolk.gov.uk).

## Paws on Patrol: responsible dog ownership scheme

'Paws on Patrol' is a joint initiative between Mid Suffolk District Councils and Suffolk Constabulary which aims to promote responsible dog ownership. The scheme is a free to join initiative to reward responsible community members who are also responsible dog owners. If you can confirm the following:

- My dog is vaccinated
- My dog is micro-chipped
- I clear up after my dog
- My dog wears a collar and name tag in public
- I do not allow my dog to cause annoyance to other persons/neighbours

then you are eligible to join the scheme and receive discounts and offers from supporting dog related businesses.

On joining the scheme you will receive a membership pack which includes a membership card with contact numbers for Suffolk Police and your Local Authority, enabling you to report community issues that you encounter on your walks. **You will not be expected to challenge or tackle any issues you encounter.** You are merely asked to report them to the relevant authority for them to address. Issues you encounter could be anything from a blocked right of way to dog fouling or suspicious activity.

If you are interested in joining 'Paws on Patrol' please complete an application form at [www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/environmental-protection/dog-control-service/paws-on-patrol](http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/environmental-protection/dog-control-service/paws-on-patrol). You will need to get your vet to stamp the form to confirm that your dog is micro-chipped and vaccinated and then return it to your local police.

## Your Clerk is :

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# Village News



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## A REFLECTION ON THE JOINT CHURCHES' LENT GROUP

Throughout Lent, the Christian season that precedes Easter, members of the Anglican and Methodist churches have met together weekly to study a series entitled '**Making good sense of the Bible**'. We hear Bible passages read in Churches and most of us turn to our Bibles with varying degrees of commitment at home, but this course helped us to consider more carefully about why we need to understand more of what lies behind these writings and the pitfalls caused by not reading in an informed way. We discovered that it is important to understand the context in which a passage or book was written, ie. by whom, for whom, what was going on in that place at the time, or why it needed to be written at all, as well as seeking out the truths still relevant today, because otherwise, if we try to apply it to our own day and culture, some aspects may not make sense to us. For this reason we explored other sources eg Bible Commentaries to help us to a better understanding.

By reading several passages and then discussing aspects of them in small groups it soon became clear that Biblical stories, teachings, prophecies, poetry etc are interpreted by each one of us in different ways. An interesting exercise revealed that how the text is written influences how we read it, some preferring a more 'poetic' style, and consequently drawn more to the Psalms, for example, feeling this gave important points more emphasis, while others preferred prose, a 'story telling' or 'reporting' style. This helped us to realise that much of how we read the Bible depends on who we are, our background, the situation we are currently experiencing in life, and most importantly that others may not be seeing it in the same way we do. This was further explored by considering how different people may have felt at the time, in Bible stories about Jesus, eg. healing stories, then thinking ourselves into that situation. Who we identified with was revealing! We learned of a surprising recent study which showed how cultural differences affect our understanding. Many will be familiar with the story of The Prodigal Son, one of Jesus' parables. Asked who was to blame in the story, the affluent 'Western' respondents said the son, who wasted his inheritance by bad living, Russians answered that no-one was to blame, it was just unfortunate that there was a famine at the time, while African replies indicated that the people he went to live amongst were to blame because they didn't help him. Revealing? However, we had to acknowledge that the story's purpose was not about blame, but very specifically about forgiveness.

Personally I find that these studies are a great way to understand so much more about where other people are coming from and they tell us a lot about ourselves. In understanding that we help each other to a much better knowledge of the God who loves us all and relishes the diversity of the people He created, in the past, the present and as He goes on re-creating into the future. That leaves us wanting to know more and where can we find out? In the Bible!

So maybe next year, whatever we study, you might like to join us. Come and seek with us, who feel we have so much to learn. Your perspective might be just what we need!

Rosemary Shurmer

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# Village News

## Botesdale Methodist Wives Club

The Wives Club celebrated its 60th Anniversary with a lunch at Botesdale Bowls Club on Wednesday 16 March attended by seven founder members and seventeen current members. A delicious lunch was prepared by Mrs Jennie Labdon and served by Carol and Cara. The Anniversary Cake was made by Mrs Fee Robertson and was cut by Mrs Pam Foulger, a founding and current member.

Over sixty years the Club has raised money for a wide variety of organisations, the majority within our community. Records of donations exist from 1969 and up to 2015 we have raised nearly £7,000.

Our long-standing Chairman, Mrs Ann Catlin, was unfortunately unable to attend due to ill health and has now stood down but has agreed to become our President. Mrs Jane Dorling is our new



## Women's Institute meeting

Our April Meeting at Rickinghall WI was special.

After fundraising Rickinghall WI was able to purchase an AED (automated external defibrillator) for the Village Hall.

On 14<sup>th</sup> April Val Goodwin, our President, presented a defibrillator to Bob Clark, Chairman of Rickinghall Village Hall Committee, for use both inside and outside the Hall. Val thanked all members for their support and help with the purchase. Bob was delighted to receive the defibrillator and hoped it would never need to be used! The Village Hall committee is in the process of sorting a housing outside for the AED.

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## Rickinghall & Botesdale Good Neighbour Scheme Rickinghall & District Community Bus

As reported in last month's parish magazine, the news is all good. The service will continue to operate as usual, but there will be a small adjustment to the mileage cost effective from 1st May.

I would like to extend thanks to the following who have worked to ensure the future of our community bus :

First to the people and organisations who took the trouble to convey their concerns to Suffolk County Council.

Secondly to Suffolk County Council which responded so generously by giving the bus to Rickinghall Parish Council.

Thirdly to Rickinghall Parish Council for accepting ownership, thereby enabling RBGNS to continue to operate the system.

Also, to all the volunteer drivers who give their time and energy.

And, last, but not least, thanks go to our County Councillor, Jessica Fleming, for making funds available to cover the start-up costs, and to our District Councillor, Derek Osborne, for his support and encouragement.

With the County Council divesting all community transport I think it not unreasonable to conclude "A good job done by all".

*GJG Lawrence, Co-ordinator Rickinghall & District  
Community Transport*



**FoBHC**

The Annual General Meeting will be held at

The Botesdale Health Centre

**MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 7.30 pm**

Come along and meet people from all the sections that make up the Practice – doctors, nurses, office and pharmacy staff. There will be 'behind the scenes' tours of the Health Centre including x-ray, ultrasound and equipment provided by the Friends.

Dr Andrew Yager will be giving a talk about his Local Commissioning/Cancer care role which has developed since retiring from the Health Centre.

**Everyone** is welcome so do come along. We look forward to meeting you and sharing a glass of wine.



# Club News



## HERITAGE CIRCLE

### Peter Driver, Follies and Oddities of Suffolk

Peter Driver gave a very entertaining presentation to the March meeting of the Heritage Circle at Rickinghall Village Hall. He explored a number of follies and oddities in Suffolk. He interspersed interesting images of

places around the county with funny stories about Suffolk people. He began the talk with East Bergholt Church. It is very unusual as the tower was never finished. As there was nowhere to house the church bells, a 'temporary' barn was built for them. It is still in use. Nearby there is another oddity, the Tatingstone Wonder. In 1790 Edward White, the local squire, did not like the view of two cottages from his house and so he added a third cottage with a square tower which gave them the appearance of a church. This is even stranger when viewed from the rear as the 'tower' is hollow!

Another series of oddities mentioned by Peter were linked to the famous Red Barn Murder in Polstead in 1827 when Maria Martin was shot dead by her lover. William Corder was convicted and a crowd of 10,000 was present when he was hanged at Bury St Edmunds. His body was then given to a surgeon for dissection and public display. Some of the skin was taken and it was to cover a book which is held by the Moyses Hall Museum. Corder's death mask has been placed in Norwich Castle. The story does not end there. The remains of Maria Martin were interred at Polstead Church. However, there was so much interest in the case that her grave had many visitors who often chipped away a piece of her tombstone as a memento. Over time the tombstone disappeared and so she was just commemorated by a wooden plaque.

Churches often have interesting features. There is a redundant church at Wattisham which has a plaque outlining the sad fate of a very poor family in 1792. It states that six members of one family lost their feet in unexplained circumstances. Research now suggests that the family had eaten bread made from rye gleaned from a field. It is likely that the rye was rotting and the fungus, ergot, had formed on it. This caused gangrene when eaten. A baby in the family died and other members lost limbs or fingers. The plight of the family aroused pity and money contributed gave them a small annuity to live on.

Walpole Old Chapel is very distinctive as it has been made from the conversion of a 16<sup>th</sup> Century farmhouse. It is a very early Independent Chapel where worship began in 1649. Like many other dissenting chapels it has quite an isolated location. Peter also showed a picture of the path through Theberton churchyard. It is markedly below the level of the rest of the churchyard. This is probably because of the number of people who have been buried there over time.

There was a chance discovery made at Wenhaston Church in 1892. Some boards were taken out of the church during renovation work and left to the elements. After it rained, the boards were seen to have been painted. The Wenhaston Doom is a remarkable picture dating from around 1500. It was a rood screen which originally had a carving of Christ on the cross and around it there were a series of images warning of the Day of Judgement. It is likely that the screen was white washed during the Reformation. Peter briefly mentioned several other oddities, including Covehithe Church where a small church is built within the ruins of a former larger structure, Thomas Mills being buried in the front garden of his house in Framlingham,

an almost unique post box in Bawdsey that bears the initials of Edward VIII, and the disfiguring of an angel's image on the carved corner post of the Guildhall in Eye. Sights like these are only seen when we look around us.

The next meeting of the Heritage Circle will be at 7.30pm on Wednesday 25 May 2016 at The Village Hall, Rickinghall IP221HD. Annie May will be speaking about the Burston Strike School. Further information about the Heritage Circle is available on its website, [www.heritagecircle.onesuffolk.net](http://www.heritagecircle.onesuffolk.net).

Gerry Gurhy!

## Coffee On



## The Corner

The rain started as I arrived at Parkview Chapel on the morning of Coffee on the Corner ... and then got heavier. Would this deter our visitors and suggest to them that they remain at home? Not a bit of it! It was the busiest the coffee shop had been for a month or two and how delightful to see all of the familiar faces and indeed a few less familiar faces. We even welcomed a newcomer, Annette from Roydon, and hope she comes to visit again!

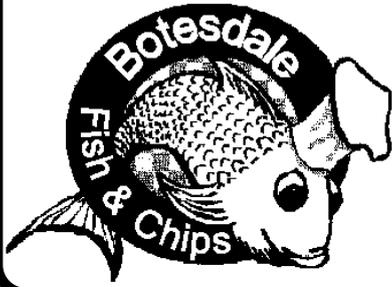
The donations this month were, as usual, generous - £163.50 to be exact. That money will be sent to "SHINE" - Spina bifida; Hydrocephalus; Information; Networking; Equality. This charity has, over the past 50 years, raised money and supported countless sufferers and their families. We were fortunate to be joined by Neil and Sadie Watts, whose mother, Joan lives in Rickinghall. Their family has benefited from the charity and they have been fundraisers for a considerable time. They chatted to some of our visitors, helping to inform them about the charity and raise its profile. If you were involved in one of those conversations, then I trust you found it interesting and useful. For those of you who donated money in exchange for bric-a-brac, tea/coffee and edible items, then I thank you for your generosity.

At present we do not have a nominated charity for the month of May, but I am sure something will come forth. If you know of a small local charity that could do with a boost to funds, or if you know of someone local who has appreciated the support of a larger charity and who would like us to make a donation, then do please get in touch and let me know. As always, the coffee shop's main aim is to open the doors of the Chapel to welcome you in ... the donations to charity are simply a sideline, albeit a welcome one. We are always open on a Sunday too if you would like to come along and see some of the faces from Coffee on the Corner in a slightly different setting. We normally hold a 10am half hour Communion Service, followed by Coffee & biscuits from 10.30 to 11am. Then at 11am we have an All-Age Worship and, as the name suggests, ALL are welcome - come along to find out more!

If you haven't been to visit us before, or even recently, or if you know any friends or neighbours who would like a cuppa and refreshments in a warm and welcoming atmosphere, then do please make a note in your diary of next month's date - **Tuesday 10th May**, from 9am to 12 noon.

If you feel you would like to know more about the coffee shop or any of the happenings at Parkview, please call me on 01379 890423.

Sue Allen



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Monday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	10:00am 2:00pm 7:30pm	Zumba Needle craft Slimming World (5:30pm and 7:30pm)	Rickinghall Village Hall Activities Centre Rickinghall Village Hall
Tuesday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	10:00am 6:00pm 7:15pm 7:30pm	Open House Zumba Yoga and relaxation Julie's Aerobics	All Saint's Redgrave Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall
Wednesday	4 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am 10:00am 10:30am	MOBILE LIBRARY Redgrave Art Club Day Centre MacMillan in the Community	Activities Centre Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Health Centre
Thursday	5 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am 9:30am 6:00pm 6:00pm	Church Cleaning RABBATS Fitsteps Kuk Sool Won (Juniors; Adults 7:00)	Redgrave St Mary's Rickinghall Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall St Botolphs School
Friday	6 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am 10:00am 1-2pm 8:00pm	Rickinghall Ramblers Positive Steps Beginners Tai Chi Dance Classes	Rickinghall Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall
Saturday	7 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am 10:30am 10:00am 10:30am 11:00am	<b>Model Railway show</b> Guided walk Church open Church Heritage Trust : Ancestral Trails Bowls club open day	Rickinghall Village Hall Redgrave Lopham Fen Rickinghall Inferior Redgrave St Mary's St Botolph's Bowls club
Monday	9 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am 2:00pm 7:30pm 7:30pm	Zumba Needle craft Slimming World (5:30pm and 7:30pm) Botesdale Parish Council	Rickinghall Village Hall Activities Centre Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall
Tuesday	10 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am 6:00pm 7:15pm 7:30pm	Coffee on the corner Zumba Yoga and relaxation Julie's Aerobics	Park View Chapel Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall
Wednesday	11 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am 10:00am 7:30pm	Redgrave Art Club Day Centre Redgrave Parish Council	Activities Centre Rickinghall Village Hall Activities Centre
Thursday	12 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am 12:30pm 6:00pm 6:00pm 7:30pm 7:30pm	RABBATS Phoenix Luncheon club Fitsteps Kuk Sool Won (Juniors; Adults 7:00) Rickinghall Parish Council Women's Institute AGM	Rickinghall Village Hall Activities Centre Rickinghall Village Hall St Botolphs School Rickinghall Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall
Friday	13 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am 1-2pm 8:00pm	Positive Steps Beginners Tai Chi Dance Classes	Rickinghall Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall
Saturday	14 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am 9:00am 9:00am 10:00am 10:00am	<b>Farmers' market</b> Car boot sale St Botolph's school Garage Sale trail Church open Church open	Rickinghall Village Hall R Recreation Ground Botesdale Market Square Redgrave St Mary's Rickinghall Inferior

Saturday	14 <sup>th</sup>	10:30am 11:00am 3:00pm	Wildlife Watch Open windmill Journey through Biblical Holyland	Redgrave Lopham Fen Thelnetham windmill Park View Chapel
Sunday <b>PENTE- COST</b>	15 <sup>th</sup>	11:00am 12 noon	Open windmill Blossom Day @ Beyond the Wall	Thelnetham windmill Thornham Walks
Monday	16 <sup>th</sup>	09:15am 10:00am 2:00pm 7:30pm 7:30pm	Rickingham Ramblers Zumba Needle craft Slimming World (5:30pm and 7:30pm) Barwoods AGM	Rickingham Village Hall Rickingham Village Hall Activities Centre Rickingham Village Hall Bell Inn Rickingham
Tuesday	17 <sup>th</sup>	6:00pm 7:15pm 7:30pm 7:30pm	Zumba Yoga and relaxation Julie's Aerobics Progressive Whist Drive	Rickingham Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall Rickingham Village Hall Activities Centre
Wednesday	18 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am 10:00am	Redgrave Art Club Day Centre	Activities Centre Rickingham Village Hall
Thursday	19 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am 6:00pm 6:00pm 7:30pm	RABBATS Fitsteps Kuk Sool Won (Juniors; Adults 7:00) Crafty Corner	Rickingham Village Hall Rickingham Village Hall St Botolphs School Parkview chapel
Friday	20 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am 1-2pm 8:00pm	Positive Steps Beginners Tai Chi Dance Classes	Rickingham Village Hall Rickingham Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall
Saturday	21 <sup>st</sup>	10:00am 10:00am 10:00am 7:30pm	Church open Botanical Illustration course Redgrave Garden Club : Plant Sale Suffolk Constabulary Male Voice Choir	Rickingham Inferior Redgrave Lopham Fen Fox Cottage, Redgrave Redgrave St Mary's Church
Monday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	10:00am 2:00pm 7:30pm	Zumba Needle craft Slimming World (5:30pm and 7:30pm)	Rickingham Village Hall Activities Centre Rickingham Village Hall
Tuesday	24 <sup>th</sup>	6:00pm 7:15pm 7:30pm	Zumba Yoga and relaxation Julie's Aerobics	Rickingham Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall Rickingham Village Hall
Wednesday	25 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am 10:00am 7:30pm	Redgrave Art Club Day Centre Heritage Circle	Activities Centre Rickingham Village Hall Rickingham Village Hall
Thursday	26 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am 6:00pm 6:00pm 7:30pm	RABBATS Fitsteps Kuk Sool Won (Juniors; Adults 7:00) Redgrave Garden club	Rickingham Village Hall Rickingham Village Hall St Botolphs School Activities Centre
Friday	27 <sup>th</sup>	09:15am 10:00am 1-2pm 8:00pm	Rickingham Ramblers Positive Steps Beginners Tai Chi Dance Classes	Rickingham Village Hall Rickingham Village Hall Rickingham Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall
Saturday	28 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am	Church open	Rickingham Inferior
Sunday	29 <sup>th</sup>	2:30pm	<b>Redgrave Fundraiser</b>	Activities Centre
Monday	30 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am 11:00am 2:00pm 7:30pm	SCHOOL HALF TERM Zumba Open Windmill Needle craft Slimming World (5:30pm and 7:30pm)	Rickingham Village Hall Thelnetham windmill Activities Centre Rickingham Village Hall
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# Club News

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## Redgrave Garden Club

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Anne explained the tools needed, secateurs, loppers, and a pruning saw, and went on to describe the different ways of pruning shrubs and trees, including fruit trees. The basics being to examine the plant to be pruned, then starting at the bottom remove any dead, diseased, damaged and decrepit material. The end result should be a 'goblet' shaped plant, allowing the circulation of air, and encouraging the plant to make new growth.

Members asked questions, and all agreed that Anne had given some very useful advice.

The next meeting will be on April 28th, at The Activities Centre, when Maggie Thorpe will speak on 'Plant Heritage'. All welcome.

A Plant Sale will be held on May 21st. 10am to Noon, outside Fox Cottage, The Street, Redgrave.

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### Quatrefoil Correction

We apologise for the error made in last month's Club News. The correct information is below.



**Quatrefoil's history day** this year will be on **Saturday July 9th from 10am – 4pm**, the same day as the Farmers' Market and Car Boot Sale at Rickinghall Village Hall.. Once again the exhibition will be held in St. Mary's Church Rickinghall Inferior, free of charge, but donations will be welcome for the Church fabric fund. The April article stated that an application for a grant for the Church roof had been unsuccessful. The grant has been applied for again this year for an amount in the region of £70,000 This has increased due to inflation. Successful applicants will not be informed until June this year.

For more details of **Quatrefoil's history day** see Future events page 39.

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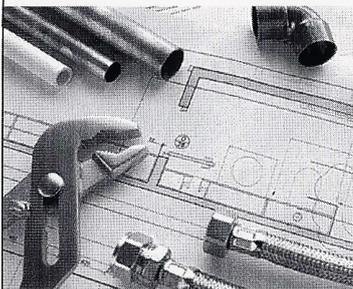
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# Exploring the Past

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## Redgrave Half a Century Ago (part 2)

Last month I had lived in Redgrave for fifty years and I wrote a snapshot of Waveney Stores which was the shop we had just bought in 1966. This month I have written about the rest of the village. There were a few other retail businesses in Redgrave at this time. Waveney Stores was at the northern end of The Street.



*Waveney House and Stores circa 1967*

Redgrave Stores was at the southern end, and was situated in the house where the extension now houses the community shop. Redgrave Stores belonged to Hedley Goddard, who also ran Hilltop, a shop in Botesdale, recently the hardware shop. Besides the two stores in Redgrave, there was a butcher's shop run by Peter Jenkins at the house now known as The Old Butchery. Peter had his own slaughterhouse on site. Meat was also delivered to the village from Last's butchers in Botesdale who also had their own slaughterhouse. Catlins' Bakery delivered fresh bread to the village three times a week and we started to sell their bread in our shop. Frank collected the bread from their bakery, now the Blue Orchid Chinese takeaway, just as it was coming out of their coal fired ovens in the morning. Coal was delivered to the village from Wilby's coal yard in Botesdale at the end of Cherry Tree Lane. Bob Erith of Botesdale delivered milk daily to the village. Nancy Bryant delivered papers by bicycle from Edwin Kerry's newsagents in Botesdale, and was pleased to come and sit on the chair in the shop after delivering our paper before cycling back to Botesdale. Mr Feetham ran a mobile greengrocery business from his house, Fen View, virtually next to the Greyhound in Fen Street. The post office was situated at a bungalow, later called The Kyles, which has now been demolished to build a new house. Many women did not drive at this time and there were no supermarkets in Diss therefore people relied more on deliveries and local shops. Many men also arrived on bicycles or tractors.

Dudley Orves sold petrol from The Garage in The Street. He also sold sweets and cigarettes etc. which was useful to many villagers as petrol could be bought in the evenings, but not in the mornings. We had two hairdressers, Kay Jenkins who had a 'salon' converted from an outhouse in the garden of the butchery, and Pamela Ready who worked from her kitchen. She lived in the house known then as The Old Post Office which was originally part of Redgrave Stores.

There were two pubs open when we moved to Redgrave. One was The Greyhound in Fen Street, which closed the following year. The publican at the Cross Keys was Leslie Driver at this time, only the public bar existed and the seating was old bus seats and there were no loos.

St. Mary's Church Redgrave was used for services in summer and the Mission Room for winter services, and the Rev Hocking lived at Redgrave Rectory. The church had its own choir made up of adults and children. The female members of the choir wore blue robes with blue 'mortar board' type head gear. At the start of the service they always processed up the aisle at St. Mary's led by a young man carrying the cross. Methodists attended the Chapel near to the village pond. WI meetings were held at the Mission Room and there was no water or loos there then.

My daughter Bernadette attended Redgrave School which she liked much better than the large school she had recently started in London. At this time the village school had three teachers, including the headmaster, and three classes. Children from Botesdale also attended, many having to walk or cycle to school. There were only outdoor loos at this time, and bike sheds in the playground. Behind the school were Black's cottages which had been the workhouse before the Hartismere Union Workhouse was built in the nineteenth century. Behind Black's cottages was the school playing field. At the far end of Half Moon Lane, where it meets the B1113, was a children's playground. Walter Cater, a parish councillor, looked after the equipment. This triangular area was known as The Flat Iron.

At the time we moved in we had a septic tank but the main sewer was laid in The Street a few months after we arrived. All the properties with septic tanks were not charged to be connected to the main sewer but the others had to pay. A few people only had outside loos and bought Elsanol from us.

Ivy Barn in The Street was a large thatched barn with a Dutch gable end as depicted on the village sign. Next to it was a field on which new houses were built a few years later. There were no houses next to The Mission Room, (now All Saints) and Half Moon Lane mainly consisted of ancient cottages. Back land development was not allowed then so most of the newer houses which are in Redgrave now were built in large gardens of the older houses.

There was much more livestock kept on the farms in those days. Wall's had a pig farm in Fen Street, Tony Pettit ran a pig farm from the old mill site, Mr Higham kept pigs at Fir Tree Farm and Jim Twyman also kept pigs next to Tudor Limes. John Sharp kept cattle at Hall Farm. Robin Powell bred turkeys and Button's duck factory was a much smaller concern then. Wesley Nunn fattened calves at Street Farm and they escaped one day and ended up in our garden. Street Farm was on the opposite side of the road to Waveney Stores and at that time there were two Street Farms in The Street, but the one opposite us was asked to change the name when post codes were introduced.

The cinema was in Diss, and the manager used to advertise the programmes in our shop, for which we were given two free seats if there were any films we wanted to see.

We had one Simonds bus coming to the village on four days a week to the markets, Tuesday to Ipswich, Wednesday to Bury-St-Edmunds, Friday to Diss and Saturday to Bury St. Edmunds.

Although basically Redgrave is the same village with additional houses, village life has changed tremendously.

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# Exploring the Past Again

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## Hunting, Shooting, Fishing

Last month I wrote about the various water courses and ponds in our villages. Many of these would have originally been used for fishing. Fish was an important food in the medieval period as there were many days such as Fridays and saints' days when no meat was allowed to be eaten.

Redgrave Lake was built in the 18<sup>th</sup> century by 'Capability' Brown on the site of ponds which had been used as fish ponds by the manor. In 1604 the large pond here was called the 'great water'. There were 'fisheries' along the streams which were much deeper than now; at Southfen in Redgrave 'le Dammes', which was probably near Crackthorn Bridge, and at a place called 'Broding'. These fisheries were used to provide fresh fish for the manor.

Although Redgrave had a park and it is thought that the 13<sup>th</sup> century manor house was built as a hunting lodge for the Abbots of Bury St Edmunds, who were lords of the manor until the 16<sup>th</sup> century, there appear to be no records of hunting deer in the documents of this period.

In the 14<sup>th</sup> and early 15<sup>th</sup> centuries the accounts frequently record the expenses of a John and Richard Hunter and John Fowler in Redgrave and Richard le Fowler and William le Hunter in Rickinghall. These were 'occupational' surnames which indicated their jobs in the manors. They were reported as being paid for hunting foxes or catching game birds such as partridges and pheasants.

The birds were hunted for food. They would usually be caught by trapping; often in nets. However it was very popular to hunt birds as a sport with birds of prey such as goshawks. The 1374 accounts record '*In the expenses of John Brynkelee & John Fouler in the manor to catch pheasants 6d with 2d in the expenses of the Goshawk*'. John Brinkeley was the abbot of Bury and lord of the manor at this time.

When important visitors came to the manor or to Bury Abbey much food had to be provided. In 1419 the accounts record '*11 pheasants & 5 score fowls taken over against the arrival of the Bishop of Norwich taking the same up to Bury 4s 8½ d. Item in 36 partridges & 1 pheasant taken to Bury 4d.*' (1) The Rickinghall account for 1348 records the '*expenses upon hunting for the lord king 3d.*' The king visited Bury during the year so this was obviously helping to provide food for his stay. (2)

There are many reports of hunting foxes. As well as keeping the vermin down this appears to have been a sport as it was in later centuries. '*Item in the expenses of Thomas Hunter for 2 occasions with the lord's dogs following the hunt for foxes, with bread bought for the said dogs*'. Often visitors are recorded coming to the manor to hunt foxes. In 1388 the Redgrave account recorded '*In the expenses of John Fitz Rof chevalier, John Asshfeld & others in the manor for 1 day hunting for foxes 19d.*' (1)

John and Richard Fowler were also warreners. The warren in Redgrave was situated between what is now the lake and the main road. There was also a warren in Rickinghall but it is not clear where this was situated. Rabbits were a very valuable resource in the medieval period both for their meat and fur. At this time they were quite delicate creatures and had to be cared for and protected by the warrener. '*In the expenses of John Fowler and 2 of his boys*

*in the manor for 8 days & 8 nights taking 12 foxes in the warren*'.

(1) However they must have been thriving for in 1351 the Rickinghall accounts record '*Item in the expenses of 1 man taking 4 score rabbits to Chevington 1d.*' (2)

After this there appear to be no records of hunting in our villages until the 19<sup>th</sup> century. In his memoirs of Botesdale in the 1840s John Cordy Jeaffreson wrote '*Nearly every man in Botesdale who was rich enough to keep a horse and capable of riding to hounds, kept an animal. ... The noble animal was studied and considered critically as an instrument for making great speeds and flying over railed ditches.*' The lord of the manor George St. Vincent Wilson kept a pack of hounds at this time. Parson Haddock the Headmaster of the school loved to hunt and was also, apparently, the best steeple-chaser in the county. He didn't wear hunting pinks but always wore a black frock coat. (3)

Pheasants, partridges and other game birds were raised in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries for shooting. The job of the gamekeeper was to rear these birds for the shoots and to protect them against predators such as weasels, rats and of course the human ones! Game shooting was an important part of the economic and social life of the Redgrave estate at the time. The Holt-Wilson family employed many game keepers through the years.

Many people will remember Alfred Garnham 'Wop' who lived from 1906 to 1994. He left school at the age of 13½ and went to work as a game keeper for Lord Playfair who was renting the Redgrave estate at the time. He worked there until the war years and afterwards returned as head keeper working from the 1950s until the 1970s. His partner Betty Squirrell was one of the first lady gamekeepers in the country. (4)



'Wop' Garnham

(1) Redgrave Account Rolls Bacon Collection Nos:341-378 [1358-1419]

(2) Rickinghall Account Rolls BL Add Roll 63526-30 [1348-54]

(3) Book of Recollections by John Cordy Jeaffreson 1894 London

(4) There is an exhibition at Diss Museum and a CD is available about Wop produced by Neil Lanham.

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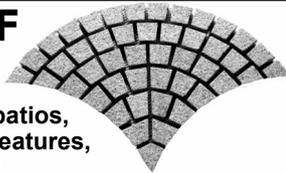
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How many of the Ten Commandments can you list out? Lying in bed awake in the middle of the night after a nose bleed I managed eight.

I had seen a piece of video where people in America had been asked that question and failed to name one of them. They have been largely forgotten so are they any use?

Try this for an exercise: pick one, for example, "You shall not lie." Now ask yourself the appropriate question. "Have I ever lied?" The next question is, "What does that make you?"

Next one, "Have you ever committed adultery?" Some have and many haven't but for that many, Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said, "You shall not commit adultery." But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart." Using Jesus standards, what does it make you?

You can go through all of them if you wish and the result won't be very comforting. So, what do the Ten Commandments do? The answer is likely to be 1) condemn 2) condemn ..... 10) condemn. If you are lucky you might avoid one or two. The story is told of one man on hearing a sermon on the Ten Commandments came out saying, "At least I haven't made any graven images."

"I'll be all right. God is love," everyone thinks, at least everyone who isn't a Christian, strangely, taking their thinking from what they know of Christianity. "He won't condemn anyone so I'll be all right," they say.

Taking your assurance from something you don't believe in appears a bit risky but nevertheless I'll run with the idea and ask you, "Would a judge be a good judge if he always let the guilty go scot free?" for that is what the answer, 'God is love, I'll be all right' appears to demand.

Thus the conclusion one could draw from this is that, The Ten Commandments condemn and nobody passes the test. Fortunately, although the conclusion is valid it doesn't give the whole of the truth. The Ten Commandments were produced as God's standard but one which no one would be able to keep. So, what good were they?

The New Testament makes it clear, "The law (commandments) were like a schoolteacher to bring us to Christ that we might believe in him and believing be credited with his righteousness. Now that faith has come, we are no longer under the supervision of the law." There are those that are under the commandments and those that have been forgiven and released from them and simply do what will please the one who paid for that release. That is the choice Christianity puts to you. And, in case you don't know, here are all ten of the Commandments in a modern translation:

- 1) You shall have no other Gods but me.
- 2) You shall not make for yourself any idol.
- 3) You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
- 4) You shall remember and keep the Sabbath day holy.
- 5) Respect your father and mother.
- 6) You must not commit murder.
- 7) You must not commit adultery.
- 8) You must not steal.
- 9) You must not give false evidence against your neighbour.
- 10) You must not desire your neighbour's goods, his house, his wife nor anything that belongs to your neighbour

So are they any use in Britain these days?

On the morning of 23rd March, on the way to get my paper at the local newsagent in Rickingham, I heard a bird singing just off The Street. It was a migrating warbler and definitely not a Black Cap or other warbler. How frustrating, no means of recording it and not even seeing it! Could my brain carry the song back to my computer which contains the "Guide to British Birds"? Suddenly I needed an expert by my side. I shall never know what it was, other than an unknown migrating warbler on its way to a suitable breeding habitat, extolling the joys of early spring and hoping to pick up a mate!

This leads me on to the song of one of our local birds—the Starling. Have you ever stopped to listen to its continued "bubbling", "whistling", "singing" song. It is also a known mimic, not only of other birds but also of human noises. My wife and I at the Chapel House, Botesdale, when in the garden, were occasionally called to the phone, thinking it was the outside bell, but it was only part of the "bubbling" song of a local Starling!

Bird song can be very difficult to recognise, especially as both the memory and direction of bird song can be complicated by ageing failure to hear, and the use of only a single hearing aid.

I have recently heard (and seen) the Stock Dove, both from our house and in the willows round the bridge in Fen Lane, Rickingham. Different to our well-known Wood Pigeon, it has a repeated, cooing 'hiccup' - that's the only way I can describe it. The Stock Dove is smaller than our Wood Pigeon without the white wing and neck markings and with a smooth, dark blue plumage. Apart from the easily distinguished Turtle and Collared doves, the other wild dove in the UK is the Rock Dove, which inhabits the rocky cliffs of our shores. The

'common' pigeon seen in town and city centres or by the side of Diss Mere is an offshoot of the Rock Dove. This is the pigeon which used to be excellent food for big houses which always had a dovecote for breeding and eating purposes. It has up to six broods a year. Some of



Rock Dove—the pigeon in the park

these birds are what are called "feral" Rock Doves, i.e. they have resumed their wild state after escaping from captivity.

At last, from our house, I have viewed no less than five Buzzards circling together. I realise that many of you have far higher counts (13 the winner at present), but this was my exciting best number.

Over the last few months I have been informed of sightings of visiting unusual birds, mostly large ones, Cranes, Buzzards, the Red Kite and the Bittern and Nightjar. Perhaps they have been kicked out from the family home, well won against opposition in past years, and now is the time for the offspring to seek habitats in other areas for themselves.

When you get this magazine's edition it will be in May and I shall be interested to learn of your first sightings or sounds of our spring visitors. As I write this, on 5th April, I have just been informed that the Cuckoo has been heard, and when walking on our terrace I heard the distant call of a Chiff Chaff. It will be interesting to learn of the arrival of the Swallow, Martin and Swift and, in course of time, the other warblers.

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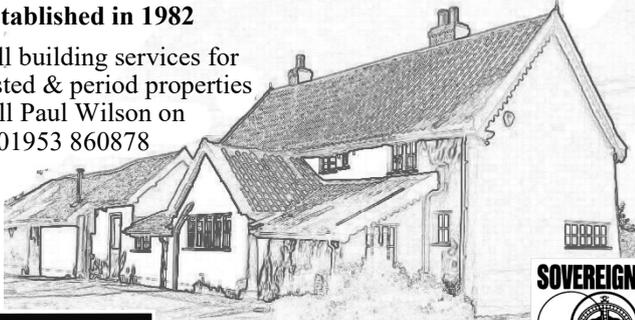
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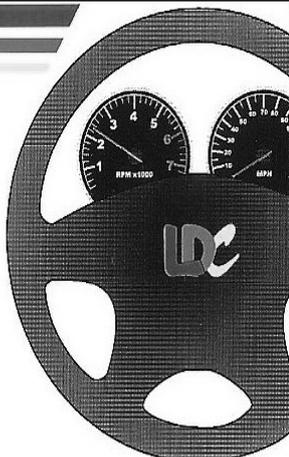
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\* It's May, and it's arguably one of the busiest \*  
\* gardening months of the year. Seed sowing of \*  
\* vegetables can be safely carried out this \*  
\* month, but try to sow at 3 – 4 week intervals \*  
\* so you get a succession of crops. Herbs are \*  
\* often an afterthought, but eaten fresh, they \*  
\* bring great flavours and colours to the table, \*  
\* especially for salads for which dried herbs just \*  
\* won't do. Some varieties are easily grown \*  
\* from seed and others are best bought as young \*  
\* plants. Potatoes have just about got time to be \*  
\* planted for a late crop, whilst earlier planted \*  
\* tubers will now be showing through, and these \*  
\* need earthing up. It is this process which \*  
\* protects young shoots from frost and keeps the \*  
\* plot clean of annual weeds. Incidence of frost \*  
\* should pass at the end of the month. \* \* \* \* \*

\* Greenhouse growing takes off this month, and \*  
\* growbags can be used for a variety of plants, \*  
\* not just tomatoes. If you are using these \*  
\* outside, then choose a sheltered south-facing \*  
\* spot, and consider a self-watering tray which \*  
\* will provide consistent watering. Remember \*  
\* that young plants going out for the first time \*  
\* are prone to any late frosts, so check the \*  
\* weather forecast nightly and protect when \*  
\* necessary. \* \* \* \* \*

\* Strawberries will be flowering so make sure \*  
\* the fruit develops onto a 'soft surface' of \*  
\* matting or straw, which will stop soil splash. \*  
\* Gooseberries and currants will soon be \*  
\* developing too, so protect these from ruthless \*  
\* birds which are too impatient for them to ripen. \* \* \* \* \*

\* Summer bedding plants can be hardened off \*  
\* this month, and planted out at the tail end. \*  
\* Pots, containers and hanging displays can be \*  
\* made up, and again, some protection may be \*  
\* needed if frosts prevail, but getting a head start \*  
\* will reward you with a longer season of \*  
\* summer colour. Choose a good quality branded \*  
\* compost and include some water-retaining gel \*  
\* or granules when you prepare the compost for \*  
\* containers, and include a base layer of crocks \*  
\* or broken polystyrene to aid drainage. \* \* \* \* \*

\* Happy Gardening! \* \* \* \* \*

\* *Ian Shilling,* \*  
\* *Tripp Batt Country Store, tel. 01359 250268* \* \* \* \* \*



In the Cookbook, we'd like to share your favourite recipes with baking enthusiasts in our villages.

To include a recipe in the column below, please send it to [editor@rbrparishmag.com](mailto:editor@rbrparishmag.com)

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## Toasted banana bread with vanilla ricotta & raspberries

### For the banana bread

- 140g butter, softened
- 140g light muscovado sugar
- 2 large eggs
- 2-3 very ripe bananas
- zest ½ lemon
- 1 tsp vanilla bean paste
- 85g buttermilk
- 225g self-raising flour
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- ½ tsp bicarbonate of soda

### For the vanilla ricotta

- 250g tub ricotta
- 3 tsp vanilla bean paste
- juice 2 oranges, 1 zested

### For the raspberry compote

- zest and juice 2 oranges
- 85g granulated sugar
- 600g raspberries

### Method

1. Heat oven to 160C/140C fan/gas 3. Grease and line the base of a 900g loaf tin with baking parchment. Beat together the butter and sugar until light and fluffy, then beat in the eggs, one at a time. In a separate bowl, mash the bananas with a fork, add to the bowl with the lemon zest, vanilla and buttermilk, and stir.
2. Mix together the flour, cinnamon and bicarbonate of soda. Fold into the banana mix, one-third at a time, until just combined and add to the tin. Bake for 1 hr until firm, golden brown and a skewer inserted into the centre comes out clean. Leave in the tin for 10 mins, then turn out onto a wire rack to cool completely.
3. While the banana bread is baking, make the vanilla ricotta. Tip the ricotta into a bowl and mix with the vanilla bean paste, orange zest and 90ml orange juice until just combined. Cover and chill.
4. To make the raspberry compote, heat the orange zest, 5 tbsp orange juice, the sugar and 225g of the raspberries in a saucepan over a gentle heat until the sugar has dissolved. Simmer for 5 mins, then pour through a sieve into a bowl. Stir through the rest of the raspberries, cover and chill.
5. When you are ready to serve, take the raspberry compote out of the fridge to bring to room temperature. Slice the cooled banana bread into 8 pieces and toast under a medium grill until lightly caramelised. Serve each slice with a spoonful of vanilla ricotta and a drizzle of raspberry compote.

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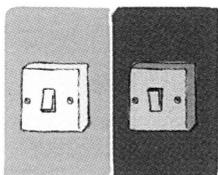
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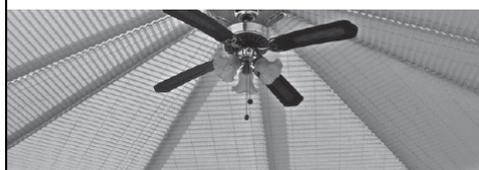
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# School news



## Digital Bytes

This issue's message about online reputations comes from our digital leaders **Isabella and Inigo**.

In a recent survey 43% of teenagers have posted information online they later regretted. (Family Online Safety Institute 2013)

### How is my child's online reputation formed?

Many parents nowadays post their baby's scan picture and photos of their newborn on social network pages. Children themselves start sharing information from a young age – the result is that by the time they are 18, a permanent and often substantial record will exist about them.

What happens if that information is inaccurate, or is the result of bullying? Once uploaded, such information is difficult to erase or change and could have a long-lasting impact.

Learn more with this short video: <https://youtu.be/A3mmIsPgggo>

### How to help your child build a good online reputation

The good news is that you and your child can create a positive online reputation that will benefit them over the years. Here's how:

- Learn about online privacy
- Keep passwords private
- Monitor their online reputation
- Correct inaccurate information
- Treat others as they would like to be treated
- Take control and set a good example
- Build a positive presence
- Deactivate and delete

### Talk to your child about their online reputation

You can help your child maintain a positive presence online by ensuring they understand the long-lasting effects of everything they do online. It's a good idea to talk about these issues before they start to create a digital footprint.

Information and guidance taken from the website for parents: **Internet Matters**



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**School transition:** We work closely with St Botolph's Primary School to ensure a smooth transition for our children into primary school. In the academic year before they start school, our pre-school children graduate from being "Caterpillars" to "Butterflies" and our Butterflies benefit from specific activities, such as phonics and numeracy, to help them prepare for school. We also make regular visits with the children to St Botolph's to take part in activities such as assemblies, PE lessons and lunches.

**OFSTED:** We were thrilled to receive a fantastic OFSTED report in December 2014 and were very proud to have received particular praise for providing an "extremely calm, relaxed and friendly atmosphere". A copy of the full report is available on request.

**Committee:** The Committee is responsible for the management of the pre-school. Parental involvement is key to a child's successful development and volunteering for the Pre-school Committee is an ideal way to be involved in both your child's development and their life at pre-school. Committee members also help to shape how the pre-school setting is managed. New members are always welcome (and needed). You can choose how much time to commit and there are lots of ways to contribute so please contact us if you would like to get involved.

## This term at pre-school:

Our theme this term is 'All About Me'. The children will learn about different lifestyles, what happens to their bodies when they are active and will learn to understand their feelings and the feelings of others. They will be looking at number names, investigating shadows and exploring texture and sound.

### New children:

If you are considering starting your child with us you are welcome to pop in, have a look around and a chat. We will be holding an open day for new parents this term. The date for the open day will be confirmed soon.

### Butterflies: preparing to be Squirrels:

The Butterflies have already spent time in the St Botolphs Reception (Squirrels) Class and will have lunch there soon. Visits will continue throughout the term so they become familiar with the school and teachers.

### Diary dates:

Dance with ARTS Theatre School from Newton Flotman: 26 April

School visit for Butterflies: 28 April

May bank holiday (no Pre-School): 2 May

Election day (no Pre-School): 5 May

Committee meeting, 7.30pm at The Bell, Rickinghall: 11 May

Cake sale (donation of cakes needed please): 14 May

School lunch for Butterflies: 17 May

Half term: 30 May. Pre-School restarts 7 June.

# Rainy day fun

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Can you work out the names of these well-known musicals from their initial letters?

How many words containing three or more letters can you make from the letters in the grid above? Plurals are allowed, proper nouns are not. Can you find the nine letter word?

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# Future Events

## Quatrefoil's history day Saturday July 9th from 10am – 4pm



The same day as the Farmers' Market and Car Boot Sale at Rickinghall Village Hall. Once again the exhibition will be held in **St. Mary's Church Rickinghall Inferior**, free of charge, but donations will be welcome for the Rickinghall Inferior Church fabric fund. This year a grant has been applied for the roof fund for an amount in the region of £70,000. However please note that successful applicants will not be informed until June this year.

A professional archaeologist will not be attending the History Day this year to identify finds but we would be very interested to see anything which you may have found in our villages.

The displays and talks will not be focussed on schools this year, as Sarah Doig's book 'A Rural Education' was published last year. However this book and the other 10 books in the series are still obtainable from Quatrefoil and the local shops for £5, (not £6.95 plus £1.75 postage and packing as seen being sold privately on e-bay recently 2nd hand, as was Diana Maywhort's book 'A Walk Through Botesdale'). We hope to have two new books ready for publication by July from new authors. Further details of these and the exhibition will be in the June magazine

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Date	1st reading	2nd Reading
1st May	Acts 16 : 9 to 15	John 14 : 23 to 29
8th May	Acts 16 : 16 to 34	John 17 : 20 to end
15th May	Acts 2 : 1 to 21	John 14 : 8 to 17
22nd May	Romans 5 : 1 to 5	John 16 : 12 to 15
29th May	Galatians 1 : 1 to 12	Luke 7 : 1 to 10

ROTAS	Chapel of Ease		Redgrave		Rickinghall	
	Sidesman	Lector	Sidesman	Lector	Sidesman	Lector
1st May	Mrs J Wright	Mr J Wright	Mrs J Wilson		Mrs B Foster	Mrs J Bennett
8th May	Mrs C Hilliard	Mr L McGrath			Mr and Mrs Miles	
15th May			Mr K Wilson	Mr C Davies	Mrs J Sheehan	Rector
22nd May			Mrs J Dickman	Mrs S Purdom	Mrs J Sheehan	Rector
29th May	Miss A Shorten	Mrs E Moss			Mrs J Sheehan	Rector

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	Chapel of Ease	Redgrave	Rickinghall
1st May	Mrs Moss	Mrs Stimson	Mrs A Rippingall
8th May	Mrs Moss		Mrs A Rippingall
15th May	Mrs Whiteside	Mrs P Button ( St Mary's )	Mrs Whiteside
22nd May	Mrs Whiteside	Mrs Powell	Wedding
29th May	Mrs Canning		Mrs Draper

# Thank you

It was of great comfort to Christine and family to see so many people at Mum's funeral (Beryl Hill) on Tuesday, 5th April at Rickinghall Lower Church. Rosedales were a huge support along with the Rev. Chris Norburn who gave a really nice, meaningful service. Thank you to all her friends, who meant such a lot to Mum, for friendship and support; your cards and comments will be treasured along with very happy memories of Mum.

## Neighbourhood Watch



### Local Contact Details

For Neighbourhood Watch contact your local Co-ordinator, or else in Botesdale and Rickinghall Peter Beck on 01379 890495, (email : peter@pbeck.plus.com), and in Redgrave John Campbell on 01379 890946 or email him on redgrave.nwatch@outlook.com

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Sunday 15th May : 10:30am Pentecost United Service at St Mary's Redgrave , Church  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May : 9 am – 12 noon 'Coffee on the Corner'  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> May : 2.00 pm Ladies meeting (Praise Hour) on  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>May : 7.30pm Crafty Corner – time for those pastimes that you don't ever have time for.  
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29<sup>th</sup> May Mrs Sue Goodwin

At Botesdale Village Hall

Gift Sunday : Holy Communion

United Service at Park View Chapel

5<sup>th</sup> May 7.30 pm Ascension Day Communion Service

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Christian Forum Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 7.30 pm : Karen Lawrence, Basket Maker  
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10.30 All Saints, Redgrave  
All Saints Altogether

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6.30pm St. Mary's, Rickinghall Evening Prayer

**8th May '16 7th Sunday of Easter**

8:15 St. Botolph's, Botesdale BCP Communion

10:30 St. Mary's, Rickinghall CW Communion



with the children and young people  
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**15th May '16 Pentecost**



8:15 St Mary's, Rickinghall  
BCP Communion

10.30 St Mary's, Redgrave  
United Service

*Followed by a bring and share lunch*

**22nd May '16 Trinity Sunday**

8:15 St. Mary's, Rickinghall BCP Communion

10.30 All Saints, Redgrave CW Communion



10.30 Messy Church in Botesdale  
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**29th May '16 1st Sunday after Trinity**

8:15 St Mary's, Rickinghall BCP Communion

10:30 United Service, Parkview Chapel Botesdale

**5th June '16 2nd Sunday after Trinity**

8:15 St. Botolph's, Botesdale BCP Communion

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Ascension Day

Thurs 5th May

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