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Redgrave cum Botesdale with the Rickinghalls

April 2019



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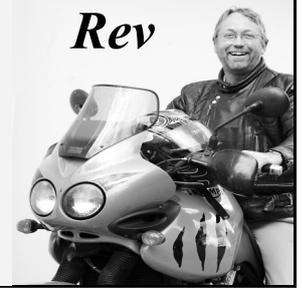
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Foreword from
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Do you remember the Legend of the Touchstone? It's a great story to recall for Easter Sunday morning. According to that ancient legend, if you could find the touchstone on the coast of the Black Sea and hold it in your hand, everything you touched would turn to gold. You could recognise the touchstone by its warmth. The other stones would feel cold, but when you picked up the touchstone, it would turn warm in your hand.

Once a man sold everything he had and went to the coast of the Black Sea in search of the touchstone. He began immediately to walk along the shoreline picking up one stone after another in his diligent and intentional search for the touchstone. He was consumed with this dream. He wanted desperately to find this miraculous stone. However, after several days had passed, he suddenly realised that he was picking up the same stones again and again. So he devised a plan... pick up a stone; if it's cold, throw it into the sea. This he did for weeks and weeks.

Then one morning he went out to continue his search for the touchstone. He picked up a stone; it was cold... he threw it into the sea. He picked up another stone – cold! He threw it into the sea. He picked up another stone... it turned warm in his hand, and before he realised what he was doing... he threw it into the sea!

That story could be an Easter parable, because that can so easily happen to us. We can come upon a miraculous moment like Easter... we can feel it turn warm in our hands... but then, so dulled by the routine, and before we realise what we are doing... we throw it away. Absentmindedly, mechanically, nonchalantly... we toss it aside and miss the miracle of Easter.

Please don't throw it away this year. Please don't miss it this time. This year seize, celebrate and embrace the incredible good news of Easter. In particular this year, let me urge and encourage you to take hold of one of the greatest nuggets of God's truth, namely – the redemptive power of Easter. Don't miss this. Easter shows us dramatically that God has the power to redeem. He can through the miracle of His grace, turn bad things into good things, change things and make things better for you.

On Easter morning, the women came to the tomb in sadness, in defeat, in grief, in disillusionment. But there they found out first hand about God's power to redeem. There at the empty tomb on Easter morning they found out dramatically that He can turn defeats into victories, despair into hope, and death into life. God has the power to redeem. He can turn the heartache of Good Friday into the Hallelujah Chorus of Easter morning.

I enjoy watching sport, especially cricket, football and rugby, and up until a few years ago I was still playing cricket when I could. On one occasion we were not doing very well, all out for less than a hundred. As a batsman I didn't do well. When the opposition went into bat I was brought on as first change to the bowling. They were cruising, appeared to be in no trouble at all. My first over wasn't that good, with a couple of fours hit. The second over I got a wicket off a very bad ball! It should have been another four.

Then the captain asked if I wouldn't mind coming on at the other end. Nothing to lose, I thought. Before we knew it they were all out in the next few overs, and we won by 20 runs! Somehow I had taken 7 wickets! As a team we had redeemed ourselves.

Now, that's possible in sport, to redeem ourselves and turn it around by our own ability, but when it comes to our souls, when it comes to our spiritual lives, only God can redeem. Only God can save. Only God can turn defeat into victory, death into life.

That's the good news of the Christian faith. It means that no defeat needs to be final – no heartache has to last forever – Good Fridays will come into our lives, but if we hang in and trust God, He has an Easter morning waiting for us on the other side. Through the miracle of God's grace, we can bounce back; we can change; we can start over; we can have a new beginning, a new life.

When you stop to think about it, God's redemptive power is absolutely amazing. And once each year, along comes Easter to remind us of that.

May God bless you as you continue through this Lent and into Eastertide.

Nothing from the Registers this month



Local Activities Directory

Please note the following changes.
The latest version of the directory is available online at
www.stmarysrickinghallinferior.onesuffolk.net/local-information



Changed Entry	Contact(s)	Updated Telephone(s)	New Email(s)
Heritage Circle	Maggie Mittins-Ladd	01379 890916	No change
Little Ouse Headwater Project Conservation Manager	Ellie Beach	No change	Ellie.beach@lohp.org.uk
Methodist Wives Club	Mrs Lesley Greenhough Mrs Jan Lawrence	01379 890109 01379 890759	No change
RABBATS	Details of new contacts pending	-	-
Redgrave & District Ladies Club	Mrs Rosemary Docherty	01379 423686	No change

PARISH MAGAZINE — MESSAGE FROM THE TEAM

Well we certainly have had March winds this year! Other than that the weather has been very kind to us and spring flowers are doing well. Work is under way on the allotments (p25) and you may like to think about showing off your garden on the village gardens open day (p19)

As always thanks to the team and to all our contributors. I make my usual appeal for people to send in articles—what has your club/organisation been doing. We would still like to find somebody who could write an occasional article putting the spotlight on some of our worthy local characters. If you have any ideas email or phone the editor *Charles Murray*

To contact the team that produce the magazine, please use the details below.

For all editorial content: editor@rbrparishmag.com

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Alternatively, please **write** to: *The Parish Magazine, The Rectory,*

Bury Road, Rickinghall, Diss, Suffolk, IP22 1HA or call **The Editor** 01379 890382

Please note that **the copy date for the forthcoming issues is as follows:**

PLEASE NOTE SOME DATES HAVE CHANGED

- **May issue 8 Apr (Mon).** Come and help stuff the magazine @ All Saint's, Redgrave—4pm on **19 Apr (Fri)** Yes we know it is Good Friday, hope you can make it
- **June issue 6 May (Mon).** Come and help stuff the magazine @ All Saint's, Redgrave—4pm on **17 May (Fri)**
- **July issue 10 Jun (Mon).** Come and help stuff the magazine @ All Saint's, Redgrave—4pm on **21 Jun (Fri)**

We accept items for submission in any of the following formats: MS Word, e-mail, .jpg, .bmp, .pub. Notices from voluntary organisations within the Benefice are printed free of charge. We try to help similar organisations from outside the Benefice wishing to place a notice in our magazine; this is subject to space being available and we also make a small charge.

Best wishes The Parish Magazine Volunteers



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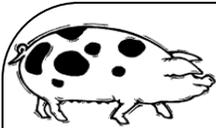
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 • leave a grieving wife. If you leave me in the
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 | What am I?
 • *Answer p 17*



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-
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-
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-
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ANNUAL FISH 'N' CHIP QUIZ NIGHT at PARKVIEW CHAPEL, BOTESDALE SATURDAY 6TH APRIL

-
QUIZ STARTS AT 7.00PM
TEAMS OF NO MORE THAN 6
£7.50 PER PERSON

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(SAUSAGES/VEGGIE AVAILABLE IF PREFERRED)

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

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Tuesday 23rd April 10.00am - 12.00pm



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Thursday April 4th 2019
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-
Tania Harrington
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-
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-
50p for members, £2 for guests, including tea or coffee. Annual membership is £12.
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RICKINGHALL COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB



Saturday 27th April
Brian Mann

-
Rickinghall Village Hall
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Ticket price £6.00
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>>> April Events <<<

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Rickingham Village Hall
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 7.30pm

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17th Apr	GAMES & SOCIAL AFTERNOON	2.30-4.30PM
17th Apr	ACOUSTIC GROUP – folk, jazz, classical	7 - 10PM
18th Apr	IT HUB IN THE PUB + Tea & Cake	3.30-4.30PM
21st Apr	EASTER EGG-STRAVAGANZA	From 3.00PM
27th Apr	IAN'S MONTHLY QUIZ NIGHT	7.30PM

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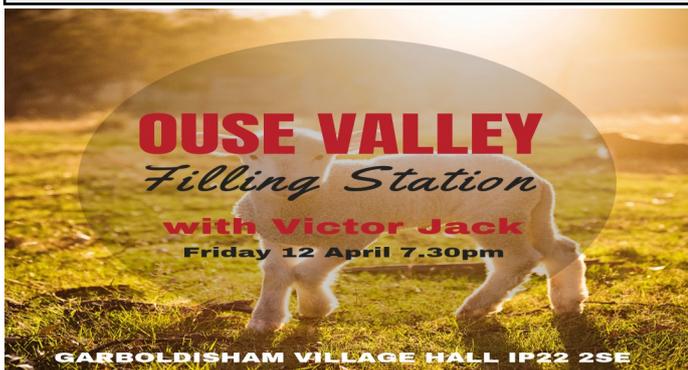
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Weekend Wildlife Club

Saturday 13 April, 11 May, 10.30am-12.30pm
A club for 6-11 year olds, £3. Booking essential

Time to paint

Friday 26 April, 31 May, 10am-2pm £5 donation, includes tea and cake. All welcome, no need to book.
Contact 01379 688333

Valley Fens Wildlife Group talk

Tuesday 30 April, 7.30pm-9.30pm : 'Nettles' – talk by Fay Jones. £2 per person (includes refreshments)
All welcome, no need to book

Activity day for home-educated children

Tuesday 23 April, 10.30am-2.30pm for 5-9 year olds £7 per child. Booking essential

April

Children's activity: Surviving in the wild

Tuesday 9 April, 10am-2pm. For unaccompanied 6-11 year olds, £7. Booking essential

Family activity: Spring surprise!

Wednesday 10 April, 10am-12noon £4 child, £2 adult. Booking essential

Plant Sale

Sunday 14 April, 10am-3pm
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£1.50 adults, children free
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Children's activity: Animal adventures

Tuesday 16 April, 10am-2pm
For unaccompanied 6-11 year olds, £7. Booking essential

Family activity: Easter eggplorers

Wednesday 17 April, 10am-12noon
£4 child, £2 adult. Booking essential

Dawn Chorus

Sunday 28 April, 4am-7.30am
Listen to the birdsong with a local enthusiast, followed by coffee and croissants.
£6. Booking essential. Sorry, no dogs

For further details and to book, visit

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Botesdale Parish Council



Leeann Jackson-Eve

MARCH REPORT – Parish Clerk

Public Forum: County Cllr Jessica Fleming reported that SCC's budget has been approved for 2019/2020 – the £519m total budget was approved at February's council meeting. Three quarters of the total spend goes to Adult and Community Services (£243m) and Health, Wellbeing and Children's Services (£147m). General council tax will rise by 2.99%. The Council continues to reduce expenditure by over £12 million annually.

New School Transport Policy (2019) - Children are eligible for SCC funded school travel if over 2 miles (under 8 years old) or 3 miles (aged 8 or over) walking distance from their nearest suitable school. Full details about funded school travel, including arrangements for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), can be found at www.suffolkonboard.com/schooltravel

Important Opt-in Requirement for School Transport! – For the September 2019 year, all families with eligible child/ren must opt-in at www.suffolkonboard.com/optin by 31st May (2019) to receive funded transport. This is a change from previous years. Parents of new secondary/upper school children will be notified about eligibility by 30 April 2019, for primary/middle schools this date is 14 May 2019. If parents do not hear by the date shown but believe their child is eligible for funded school transport, contact Customer Service promptly on 0345 606 6173 or email customer.services@suffolk.gov.uk

Planning: There were three applications for works to trees – at White Gables, Back Hills; The Old Cock House, Cherry Tree Lane; and 28 Back Hills. There was no objection to these. There have also been several planning decisions lately which include permission for a new dental practice on The Drift next to the existing surgery.

Neighbourhood Plan: At the time of the meeting, the **Neighbourhood Plan was still under consultation by MSDC and the deadline for comments was 27 March.** After this the Parish Councils will be given an opportunity to consider and respond if they wish to any representations made, before the Plan is submitted for Examination.

Elections: The District and Parish Council elections will be held on Thursday, 2 May.

Community Infrastructure Levy Funding Available: A new CIL Bid round (no 3) will open on 1st May, closing 31st May 2019. The funding is open to community groups with eligible projects. For more information, go to www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/community-infrastructure-levy-and-section-106/community-infrastructure-levy-cil/spending-cil/

Correspondence: The PC noted that free bus passes will no longer be accepted on Connecting Communities bus services. This does not apply to regular commercial bus services. The PC has received complaints about parking on Chapel Lane in front of Farnish House, too close to the Bridewell Lane/Chapel Lane junction. Unfortunately, although the parking is inconsiderate, it is not illegal. However, if you park there, please consider whether you are blocking visibility at the junction and park considerately. Finally, a resident is concerned by the amount of fly-tipping and littering on/behind the layby just past Back Hills. A large proportion of it is polystyrene takeaway containers. The PC would like to encourage local takeaways to use environmentally-friendly containers where possible and customers to dispose of their litter in a bin!

Play Area: Councillors will be meeting with Groundwork UK consultants to initiate a project to consider what improvements can be made to the play area. There will be some public consultation over the next few months so get your ideas ready!

VILLAGE LITTER PICK Saturday, 13th April 2019

Bring the whole family and meet at either village hall car park at 10am.

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PARISH of BOTESDALE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

7pm ~ Monday, 1st April 2019
Botesdale Village Hall

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MONDAY 1st APRIL
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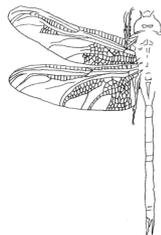
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Redgrave Parish Council



March Report – by the Clerk

Councillors Angela Bigley, Angela Clarke, Mike Denmark, John Giddings, Bob Hayward and Richard Hilton were present in addition to the Clerk, District Cllr Derek Osborne and County Cllr Jessica Fleming. Unusually, there were no members of the public.

Public Forum: County Cllr Jessica Fleming reported that SCC's £519m budget has been approved for 2019/2020. Three quarters of the total spend goes to Adult and Community Services (£243m) and Health, Wellbeing and Children's Services (£147m). General council tax will rise by 2.99%. The Council continues to reduce expenditure by over £12 million annually.

New School Transport Policy (2019) - Children are eligible for SCC funded school travel if over 2 miles (under 8 years old) or 3 miles (aged 8 or over) walking distance from their nearest suitable school. Full details about funded school travel, including arrangements for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), can be found at www.suffolконboard.com/schooltravel.

Important Opt-in Requirement for School Transport! – For the September 2019 year, all families with eligible child/ren must opt-in at www.suffolконboard.com/optin by 31st May (2019) to receive funded transport. This is a change from previous years. Parents of new secondary/upper school children will be notified about eligibility by 30 April 2019, for primary/middle schools this date is 14 May 2019. If parents do not hear by the date shown but believe their child is eligible for funded school transport, contact Customer Service promptly on 0345 606 6173 or email customer.services@suffolкон.gov.uk.

Planning: There were two planning applications. The PC had no objection to the erection of an extension at Orchard House, Half Moon Lane and the erection of single storey extensions at Maplefield, The Street as neither were likely to have much impact on neighbouring properties.

Neighbourhood Plan: Cllr Giddings reported that the NHP Committee have been busy laying the groundwork for the Plan. They have discussed forming a Community Land Trust and think this might be useful at a later date. The PC has approved the draft Terms of Reference between the PC and the Committee and has also agreed to pay the Committee's meeting hall hire costs directly.

Elections: Please note that the District and Parish Council elections will be held on Thursday, 2 May.

Community Infrastructure Levy Funding Available: A new CIL Bid round (no 3) will open on 1st May, closing 31st May 2019. The funding is open to community groups with eligible projects. For

more information, go to www.midsuffolкон.gov.uk/planning/community-infrastructure-levy-and-section-106/community-infrastructure-levy-cil/spending-cil/

The PC would like to know whether you have any suggestions for new "infrastructure" projects. Members have suggested continuing the footway on the north end of the village to the Fen Street crossroads and adding some fitness equipment to the recreation ground. Do you have any ideas? Let us know!

Office Equipment: The PC has some unneeded office equipment purchased in 2004 and would like to donate the Sanyo Pro-x projector to the Thelnetham Windmill (a charitable organisation) and the laptop computer to the church, subject to receiving no objections. There is also an HP Officejet d135 printer - in like new condition - which is available to anyone who can make use of it (contact the Clerk).

PARISH of REDGRAVE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

7.00pm ~ Wednesday, 3rd April 2019
Redgrave Amenities Centre

Everyone is invited to attend.

THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE ON

WEDNESDAY 3rd APRIL
at 7.30 pm

Redgrave Amenities Centre
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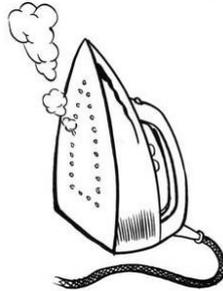
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Rickingham Parish Council



Rickingham March Report – by Councillor Nick Free

The Parish Council meeting was opened at 19:30 by the Chairman, receiving apologies from Cllr Robin Brown. All other members were present, along with the Clerk, County Cllr Jessica Fleming, District Cllr Derek Osborne and four members of the Public.

The agenda moved swiftly through formalities into the Public Forum. Cllr Jessica Fleming reminded us of the **New School Transport Policy (2019)** and noted that Children under 8 years old are eligible for SCC funded school travel if they are over 2 miles walking distance from their nearest suitable School. Children 8 years old and over are eligible if they are 3 miles away. Full details about funded school travel, including arrangements for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), can be found at www.suffolkonboard.com/schooltravel and an important **NEW opt-in requirement** that must be met by 31st May (2019). Parents of new secondary/upper School children will be notified about eligibility by 30th April 2019, primary/middle Schools by the 14th May 2019. If parents do not hear by the date shown, or have **any** questions relating to School Transport, please contact Customer Services on 0345 606 6173 or email customer.services@suffolk.gov.uk.

Other items covered will be further detailed in the minutes but include the North Ipswich by-pass Consultation Plans, Suffolk Fire & Rescue Risk Management consultation and the County Council Budget, which has been approved at £519m, and will see a 2.99% increase in Council Tax for the coming period.

It was noted that the Snape Hill Encampment has been vacated and Suffolk County Council *have* committed to securing this area effectively, this time.

Each Parish Cllr, the Clerk and the Chairman gave an update on their respective area of responsibility during which time a conversation related to potential Anti-Social Behaviour was raised. A group of local youths have been congregating around the Skate Park. Damage has been noticed within the park and subsequently the area was locked and secured temporarily. The area was forcibly entered, resulting in damage and a higher-grade chain and lock being used, which sadly has also been by-passed.

In more unfortunate news, two Rickingham residents have had commercial/work vehicles broken into, in the first week of March 2019. This resulted in damage and loss of property running into many thousands of pounds. Please be careful, be vigilant and

use the channels available to us all through Suffolk Constabulary, our Safer Neighbourhood Team (PCSOs) at <https://www.suffolk.police.uk/your-area/stowmarket> and of course please also discuss any concerns or ideas for improving vigilance with Peter Beck, our local Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator.

One planning matter was discussed relating to an application for 4 new dwellings within the garden of Jubilee House, in Rickingham. It was recognised that affordable houses are welcomed and to that end planning was previously granted, by MSDC, for 3 new dwellings. However, the Parish Council unanimously objected to the scheme to increase to 4 new dwellings as it felt this resulted in over development of the area, with particular concern around car parking and bin storage provision.

There are local Council Elections 2nd May 2019, which will require Parish Councillors to complete their nomination forms to stand in the election. Cllr Rosemary Jones will not be standing after many years of service but it is understood the remaining six Parish Councillors will stand. It is hoped that other members of the local community will put themselves forward as there are 9 Parish Council positions available. This is a voluntary, unpaid role that requires no formalised qualifications but is a great way to get involved with local issues, help resolve problems that crop up from time to time and to have a say in shaping the community. If you are passionate and care about our village, you are qualified. The time commitment is usually just a few hours per month and the Parish Council would love to see new prospective councillors come forward, so to this end would encourage you to consider standing. Our Parish Clerk, Leeann Jackson-Eve on rickingham_pc@btopenworld.com would be more than happy to discuss the small bit of 'form filling' and deadlines with you, to guide you in the process but please don't delay, and put yourself forward as soon as you can if you are interested in standing.

VILLAGE LITTER PICK Saturday, 22nd April 2017

Bring the whole family and meet at either village hall car park at 10am.

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7.15pm ~ Thursday, 4th April 2019
Rickingham Village Hall

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This evening will also mark the official Retirement of Dr Tim Cooke and everyone will be welcome to come along to enjoy a drink and refreshments on this occasion.

Rickinghall Inferior Church Thankyou

Thank you to all the people who supported the quiz recently to raise money for the fabric fund of Rickinghall Inferior Church. Thank you also to Jean Wright the quizmaster, supported by husband John on the scoreboard, all the helpers and the staff of the Botesdale fish shop who cooked over 90 portions of fish and chips;

A total profit of £567 was made towards the estimated £90,000 needed for the repairs to the church shown in the quinquennial inspection. The winners of the 15 teams entered were from the Redgrave Community shop.

Thankyou

The Family of the late Bob Francis would like to thank everyone who donated to the £373.30 for the Friends of Botesdale Health Centre. Thank you also for the many kind messages and cards

Jenny Francis

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Gillian Bryant Thanks the Revd. Chris Norburn and all those who sent cards and attended the funeral of her beloved Arthur

Answer to the riddle—

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Village News

SPOTLIGHT ON:

Mick the Baker

"I'm not your usual baker, I'm a bit off the wall" says Mick Eldridge. Mick is not exaggerating. For a start he dresses not in the white uniform of most bakers, but in multi-coloured T shirts and shorts, decorated with flowers and sporting the words Rockin' and Rollin' along with a blue baseball cap bearing his moniker of choice "Mick the Baker."

Mick is an old East End boy having left school at 15. He wanted to be a truck driver but was too young so took a job as an apprentice in an East London bakery. He saved up until he was 21 and got his HGV licence and moved between baking and trucking, but always alongside his great love – music. Mick particularly loves jazz, funk and soul and would love to have made his living as a musician but it wasn't to be, so he stuck to baking (with a bit of truck driving).

He came to East Anglia in 1991 to run the thriving Swan Bakery in Garboldisham and then moved to Hillcrest farm shop. Having left there, he is now setting up his bakery at the Star Wing brewery premises at Hall Farm, Redgrave.

It's a busy life and consequently Mick doesn't get much time for sleep. He gets four hours a night and on his busiest day of the week, Saturday, can go more than 24 hours without so much as a nap. He starts work at 3.45am on weekdays and 1am on Saturdays in order to have bread on the shelves by 8am. Unlike his music where he plays as part of a band, the bakery is very much a one man band. "Music has taken a bit of a back seat lately" he says "times are hard and people are cutting back on live music". "Rock and roll and baking don't go together as far as working hours are concerned, especially now I'm getting older".

Mick bakes "the old-fashioned way" entirely by hand (except for the mixing), uses natural ingredients. He bakes mostly white crusty, granary and wholemeal loaves, rolls and sticks alongside a small selection of cakes. There used to be 30,000 small bakers but now there are no more than 4,000 nationally. Mick works out what he needs and weighs it out the night before, then in the morning only has to add water and yeast. "I keep it basic but always with no additives and flour improvers. Most of the larger bakers use additives and even some of the smaller ones".

By 11.30am Mick has already been working for about 8 hours, baked his last loaf of the day and cleaned his mixing machine so that it sparkles like new. He has one day off a week and will often drive down to London and spend a few hours on the South Bank, his favourite place in the country.

My customers come to me because they want quality food and good service. You can get bread anywhere, but no-one will make a loaf like I make it. I am one of an old breed and we may not be here for ever which would be a shame".

This is from an original article in the East Anglian Daily times.



OPEN GARDENS

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Stately home parkland or quaint cottage garden – how other people use their outside space is a source of endless fascination, and, a village "Open Gardens" day is guaranteed to draw crowds.

The Botesdale and Rickinghall Open Gardens Day this year is on Sunday June 2nd starting at 10.30am. Tickets and maps will be available at Botesdale Village Hall where refreshments (including a light lunch) will be available throughout the day. As always, money raised will go to the Red Cross International.

There will be all types and sizes of gardens to explore and, it would be most welcome if a few new gardeners (in addition to our trusty core participants) would open their prize plots for a few hours on the day. If you would like to take part then please phone Rona Walters on 01379 898218.

So come along on June 2nd – meet old friends, make new friends and perhaps get some different ideas for your own garden.



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Club News



Lady Alice de Bryene - Pip Wright

Pip Wright gave a well researched insight into the life of a 14th Century household at the February meeting of the Heritage Circle at Rickinghall Village Hall. He began by saying that history can be annoying as it may offer only a partial view of events. This is true of the subject for his talk, Lady Alice de Bryene. She is buried in Acton Church, near Sudbury. A

brass covering her grave probably does not look like her as these tended to be generic. It suggests that she was 4'6" tall, the average height for women of the period. He infers from other evidence that Lady Alice was a strong and formidable woman.

Lady Alice lived through the reigns of five kings as she was born about 1360 and died in 1435. She was approximately 75 when she died which was old for the time. These were difficult times as two kings, Richard II, who was eventually murdered and Henry VI, were aged 10 and 9 when they acceded to the throne. During her lifetime there was a serious plague epidemic in 1361, the Peasants' Revolt in 1381, and wars against France, including the Battle of Agincourt in 1415.

Lady Alice was the widow of Sir Guy de Bryene who died in 1386. She had two daughters. Unlike many women in the 14th Century, she did not remarry after being widowed in order to protect the considerable amount of land that she inherited from her husband. She was probably protected by her rich and powerful relatives who included Sir Richard de Waldegrave. She held 3,000 acres in Suffolk, 2,000 acres in Dorset and 1,000 acres in Gloucestershire. Much of the land was rented out to tenants at low rents as they helped with the harvest. Lady Alice lived at Acton Hall which was probably a moated medieval hall house constructed of wood. This would have had one large area where people ate and slept. She possibly had a separate room.

The most useful surviving evidence about Lady Alice and her household comes from a book of accounts which outlines the menus, the household costs and the numbers of people partaking in meals every day. The records are very detailed and were checked every three months to make sure that they balanced. This attention to detail suggests that Lady Alice kept a tight control over her estates. For example, the fish merchant came from Colchester every Saturday and the 1/2d loaf for his horse was recorded! These accounts show that a lot of fish and shell fish were eaten. There were three fast days in the week when no meat was allowed, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, in addition to Lent and Advent. A range of meat, including beef, mutton, bacon and pigeons, were consumed on other days. Each person was given a loaf of bread at each meal and a slice of black bread made from the sweepings of the granary floor as a trancher or plate. There is no mention of fruit or vegetables but these would have been grown on the estate and may have been used for soups. The one luxury in the accounts appears to be the purchase of spices such as saffron, cloves, ginger, pepper and mace which would have been used to mask the flavour of the deteriorating meat towards the end of winter. The only sweeteners would have been honey and fermented barley (malt). Sugar was used as a medicine.

The number of guests varied. One page of accounts shown listed 48 guests and another 78. Passing travellers would be fed and given lodging for the night. Tradesmen who carried out specialist work, such as the millwright, would be accommodated. The numbers rose during harvest time.

Lady Alice was a religious woman and gave money to good causes. She left land rents and money to pay for a daily chantry mass to be said for her 'for ever' at Acton Church. It was ended by Henry VIII in the 1530s when he dissolved the monasteries. However, perhaps the most remarkable feature of Lady Alice's life is that her household accounts have survived over 600 years.

The next meeting of the Heritage Circle will be at 7.30pm on Wednesday 24 April when Tony Diamond will give a talk entitled *Shakespeare Buff*. New members and visitors are very welcome. Further information about the Heritage Circle is available on its website, www.heritagecircle.onesuffolk.net

Coffee On



The Corner

Well, I am absolutely amazed! I don't remember such a busy Coffee on the Corner for some time . . . the Chapel was absolutely heaving and what a pleasure it was to welcome everyone into the room.

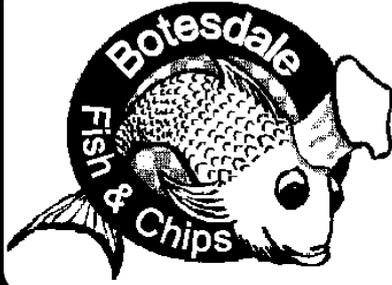
Part of the reason for such a good number of new faces was down to Maggie Phillips. We were supporting the RNLI and as she is one of their keen fundraisers, she had encouraged (or was it coerced?!) all her friends and neighbours to come along too. Encouraging the extra visitors was well worth it and our guests very kindly donated an incredible £212.40 for the cause. It was such a delight to have them all with us and we hope and trust that they will come again . . . a date for their diaries as we always run Coffee shop on the second Tuesday of the month. I spoke to quite a few folks this morning and reminded them that we also have an informal Sunday Coffee morning once a month, which is always on the Sunday immediately after Coffee on the Corner. The same format - tea, coffee, cake and smiling faces . . . so if you haven't been before, or your memories of Church are of sitting stiffly in a row in a cold building, then do please think again and come along to join in the chatter.

Next month Coffee on the Corner will be on Tuesday 9th April, with Coffee on a Sunday on Sunday 14th. Any donations from that Tuesday's event will be given to one of our young people, George Clarke, as he prepares for a mission trip . . . do come along to find out more.

Between now and then we shall be holding our various services on a Sunday, Praise hour between 2 and 3 pm on the 1st and 3rd Thursday afternoon each month and home Bible Study groups at Parkview - for information on those, do look elsewhere in this informative Parish Magazine. We are also hoping to run an ALPHA course in the near future, so if you have questions about God or life in general, do please get in touch - either with me or Kevin Gladwell.

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

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Calendar for April 2019

Monday	1 st	All Day 9:15am 10:00am 2:00pm 5:30pm 7:00pm	Samaritans Rickinghall Ramblers Zumba Needlecraft Slimming World Botesdale Annual & Regular Parish Council meeting	Bury St Edmunds Railway Station Rickinghall Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall Redgrave Activities Centre Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall
Tuesday	2 nd	9:45am 5:30pm 6:00pm 7:15pm	Pilates Brownies Zumba Yoga and relaxation	Rickinghall Village Hall St Botolph's School Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall
Wednesday	3 rd	9:30am 10:00am 10:45-13:05 2:30-4:30pm 7:00pm	Redgrave Art Club Day Centre MOBILE LIBRARY Games and Social Redgrave Annual & Regular Parish Council meeting	Redgrave Activities Centre Rickinghall Village Hall See www.suffolklibraries.co.uk Cross Keys Redgrave Activities Centre
Thursday	4 th	9:30am 10:00am 10:30am 2:00pm 6:00pm 7:00pm 7:15pm	RABBATS St Nicholas Hospice Care Drop-in U3A Girl Power—a History of Art thru Women Artists Praise Hour Zumba Botesdale & Rickinghall Runners Rickinghall Annual & Regular Parish Council meeting	Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Health Centre United Reform Church Parkview Chapel Rickinghall Village Hall Rickinghall Recreation Ground Rickinghall Village Hall
Friday	5 th	10:00am 10:00-11:30am 12:00pm 8:00pm	Positive Steps Wild Tots Watercooler Dance Classes	Parkview Chapel Redgrave & Lopham Fen Cross Keys, Redgrave Botesdale Village Hall
Saturday	6 th	10:00am 10:00am 10:30-1:00pm 7:00pm	Church open Church open (in the Summer) Guided Fen Walk Quiz Night (see page 9)	Redgrave St Mary's Rickinghall Inferior St Mary's Redgrave & Lopham Fen Parkview Chapel
Monday	8 th	10:00am 2:00pm 5:30pm 7:00pm	Zumba Needlecraft Slimming World Botesdale Village Hall AGM	Rickinghall Village Hall Redgrave Activities Centre Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall
Tuesday	9 th	9:00am 9:30am 10:0-2:00pm 12:00pm 6:00pm 7:30pm	Coffee on the corner Macmillan Information & advice Activity for children: Surviving in the wild Redgrave Luncheon Club Zumba Redgrave & District Ladies' Club	Parkview Chapel Parkview Chapel Redgrave & Lopham Fen Redgrave Activities Centre Rickinghall Village Hall Redgrave Activities Centre
Wednesday	10 th	9:30am 9:30am 10:00am 10:00-12:00 7:00 for 7:30pm	Headspace Redgrave Art Club Day Centre Family Activity: Spring Surprise Tales of an Auctioneer	All Saints Redgrave Redgrave Activities Centre Rickinghall Village Hall Redgrave & Lopham Fen Rickinghall Village Hall
Thursday	11 th	12:30pm 6:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm	Phoenix Luncheon Club Zumba Botesdale & Rickinghall Runners Women's Institute	Redgrave Activities Centre Rickinghall Village Hall Rickinghall Recreation Ground Rickinghall Village Hall
Friday	12 th	9:15am 10:00am 10:00-11:30am 7:30pm 8:00pm	Rickinghall Ramblers Positive Steps Wild Tots Ouse Valley Filling Station Dance Classes	Rickinghall Village Hall Parkview Chapel Redgrave & Lopham Fen Garboldisham Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall



After a technical hitch, the **Mobile Post Office** has begun its regular visits to **Rickingham Village Hall** on **Tuesdays at 12:30pm-1:30pm** and **Fridays at 2:45pm-3:45pm**

Saturday	13 th	9:00am 9:00am 10:00am 10:30-12:30	Farmers' market Easter Egg Hunt Car Boot Sale Church open Weekend Wildlife Club	Rickingham Village Hall Rickingham Recreation Ground Rickingham Inferior St Mary's Redgrave & Lopham Fen
Sunday	14 th	10-3.00pm 11:00am	Plant Sale Coffee on a Sunday	Redgrave & Lopham Fen Parkview Chapel
Monday	15 th	10:00am 2:00pm 5:30pm	Zumba Needlecraft Slimming World	Rickingham Village Hall Redgrave Activities Centre Rickingham Village Hall
Tuesday	16 th	10:00-2:00pm 6:00pm	Children's Activity: Animal Adventures Zumba	Redgrave & Lopham Fen Rickingham Village Hall
Wednesday	17 th	9:30am 10:00am 10:00-12 noon 2:30-4:30pm 7:00-10:00pm	Redgrave Art Club Day Centre Family Activity: Easter eggsplorers Games and Social Acoustic Group	Redgrave Activities Centre Rickingham Village Hall Redgrave & Lopham Fen Cross Keys Cross Keys
Thursday	18 th	3:30-4:30pm 6:00pm 7:00pm	IT Hub in the Pub Zumba Botesdale & Rickingham Runners	Cross Keys Redgrave Rickingham Village Hall Rickingham Recreation Ground
Friday	19 th	10:00am 10:00-11:30am 8:00pm	Positive Steps Wild Tots Dance Classes	Parkview Chapel Redgrave & Lopham Fen Botesdale Village Hall
Saturday	20 th	10:00am	Church open	Rickingham Inferior St Mary's
Sunday	21 st	3:00pm	Easter egg-stravaganza	Cross Keys
Monday	22 nd	10:00am 11-4:00pm 5:30pm	Zumba Thelnetham Windmill open Slimming World	Rickingham Village Hall Thelnetham Rickingham Village Hall
Tuesday	23 rd	10:00am 10:30-2:30pm 5:30pm 6:00pm 7:15pm	Coffee down the Lane Activity Day for home educate children Brownies Zumba Yoga & Relaxation	Methodist Church Redgrave Lopham Fen St Botolph's School Rickingham Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall
Wednesday	24 th	9:30am 10:00am 7:30pm	Redgrave Art Club Day Centre Heritage Circle	Redgrave Activities Centre Rickingham Village Hall Rickingham Village Hall
Thursday	25 th	9:30am 9:30am 6:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm	Headspace RABBATS Zumba Botesdale & Rickingham Runners Redgrave Garden Club	All Saints Redgrave Rickingham Village Hall Rickingham Village Hall Rickingham Recreation Ground Redgrave Activities Centre
Friday	26 th	9:15am 10:00am 10:00-11:30am 10:00-2:00pm 8:00pm	Rickingham Ramblers Positive Steps Wild Tots Time to Paint Dance Classes	Rickingham Village Hall Parkview Chapel Redgrave & Lopham Fen Redgrave & Lopham Fen Botesdale Village Hall
Saturday	27 th	10:00am 7:00pm 8:00pm 7:30pm	Church open The Yeomen of the Guard Rickingham Country Music Club Ian's Monthly Quiz Night	Rickingham Inferior St Mary's Diss Corn Hall Rickingham Village Hall Cross Keys
Sunday	28 th	4:00-7:30am 10:00am-4:00pm	Dawn Chorus Plants & Crafts (for Stanton Woodland & Wildlife)	Redgrave & Lopham Fen Wyken Hall
Monday	29 th	9:15am 10:00am 2:00pm 5:30pm	Rickingham Ramblers Zumba Needlecraft Slimming World	Rickingham Village Hall Rickingham Village Hall Redgrave Activities Centre Rickingham Village Hall
Tuesday	30 th	9:45am 12 noon 5:30pm 6:00pm 7:15pm 7:30-9:30pm	Pilates Luncheon Club: 898615/898619 Brownies (term-time only) Zumba Yoga and relaxation Valley Fens Wildlife Talk - "Nettles"	Rickingham Village Hall Redgrave Activities Centre St Botolph's School Rickingham Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall Redgrave & Lopham Fen



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The early potatoes that have been chitting are ready to be planted out. The worst of the weather has passed but we still proceed with caution as late frosts, wind and even snow are always a possibility. The Pumpkins, Courgette and Broccoli seeds sewn in the heated propagators have all taken and have been potted on in readiness for the warmer weather and planting out.

In the news recently it stated that some Supermarkets Organic ready prepared salads and vegetables were found to carry traces of sewage! Do you know where your food comes from? You could if you grew it yourself...At Mill Lane Allotments you will find help, advice and a shared knowledge that is freely given, so join us now, don't wait to see the 'Summer Sun' before you realise you want an allotment. Call The Club Secretary MARK WISEMAN, 01379 898805 and make an appointment to come down and meet the gang.



SEEING IS BELIEVING!

Our speaker this month was

Colin Hopper (a past president of the Ipswich Magical Society) who gave a very entertaining and informative talk, on the World of Optical Illusions. He teased our eyes and brains into believing the impossible and illogical, with a collection of images from an "upside down" world of stretched perspectives and impossible landscapes, with pictures changing before our eyes - we learned quite a lot about how our eyes and brains work!

Seven of our members have birthdays this month and each received presents and cards. One member is celebrating her birthday this month *and* her Diamond wedding anniversary - she was presented with a gift to mark this milestone. We all admired the card she and her husband had received from the Queen to congratulate them on their 60 years of marriage.

All in all, a most enjoyable evening.



Botesdale and Rickinghall Community Woodland Group

Writing in early March, the first spring blossoms are

coming out:- blackthorn followed by cherry plums. Miller's Orchard's tall fruit trees can be seen from a distance along Mill Road, but the snowdrops are fading now.

Northfield Wood is more exposed, but the hazel catkins are dancing in the wind and the recent rains will be welcome. There was not much to do this month which was fortunate as our work party morning was wet.

We are expecting to put up some nest boxes in Low Meadow and perhaps elsewhere this month: the birds are starting to pair and defend their territories.

If anyone has any suitable material we could use for mulch, such as hardwood chip or deciduous leaf litter, please let us know. My number is 01379 890238, or contact another member of the group.

If you would like to join our work parties, they are normally on the first Sunday of the month from 10.30am. It's a good idea to check where it will be.

Rosemary Jones



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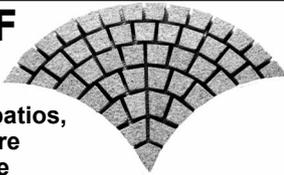
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St. Mary's Church, Rickingham Inferior.

Can you imagine coming into Rickingham village from any direction and not seeing the round tower of St. Mary's Church on the corner of the crossroads? There has been a church on this site from at least 1086 when the Domesday survey was drawn up for William the Conqueror. It does not mention a Saxon church in Rickingham Inferior at the Norman conquest of 1066 as previously thought. The manor of Rickingham had been given to the Abbey of Bury St. Edmunds by Ulfketyl, Earl of East Anglia in 1005, which would have included the land on which the church was later built (1). Rickingham is a Saxon name and means 'corner or nook of the people of Rica.' (2) Inferior means lower opposed to Rickingham Superior which was on higher ground.

The base of the round tower is Norman, although the octagonal belfry at the top is fourteenth century. Inside the tower can be seen a blocked Norman doorway on the first floor facing onto the nave, and five Norman windows of which only one is visible from outside. The tower arch leading into the nave is Norman.

There seem to have been several alterations made to the church in the fourteenth century, with a south aisle added slightly wider than the original nave. The unusual porch was added early in the fourteenth century and heightened later in the same century. The font is also fourteenth century and was probably made before the end of the century as the design shows various forms of window tracery fashionable before the perpendicular period. Babies are still being baptised in this font and with local people it could be that generations of their family have been baptised in the same font. Fortunately, nowadays, the water is warm taken from flasks, whereas originally the water was left in the font all the time and the poor baby immersed into the cold water. The water was only changed at Easter and sometimes the holy water was stolen from the churches to be used for black magic rituals and the covers were padlocked to the font to prevent this. The Rickingham Inferior font shows repaired damage to the top. The stone 'plant trough' outside the porch door may be the original Norman font.

The chancel dates from the late thirteenth century, and it may have been extended at this time from an apsidal Norman design to a square ended building. Much of the interior of the chancel is Victorian, replaced in the time of the Revd. Richard Compton Maul, 1850 – 1888. The tracery and glass of the east window were replaced by George Badeley Marke in memory of his wife. He married the Rector's eldest daughter Sophia in Rickingham Superior Church on 7th June 1870. On their honeymoon in Switzerland, climbing Mont Blanc, Sophie fell into a crevasse with her guide two months after her wedding and their bodies were never recovered (3). Beneath the window is a reredos in memory of Sophia made up partly from pieces of the original rood screen which were found beneath the floor of the nave, probably hidden at the Reformation or the Commonwealth period. A tall cross memorial in the churchyard is dedicated to her brother Lieut. Richard Compton French Maul. He was invalided out of the army in India and died at Southampton on the way home in 1874 (3). The Revd. Maul died in 1888 aged 67 and one of the south windows in the chancel is dedicated to him. During his lifetime he had paid for improvements to Rickingham Church, extended the Rectory, and given part of the glebe land next to the church to

build a school.

A survey of Rickingham Churchyard was made by Rickingham WI in 1981/2 and they found that the oldest memorial stone was dated to the 1690s, although we did not find this in our survey completed in 2009. On January 11th 1888 the Rickingham school children witnessed the planting of a Horse Chestnut tree in the churchyard to commemorate the silver Jubilee of Queen Victoria and this tree is still thriving.



St Mary's Church, Rickingham Inferior

A later addition to the history of this church is the Millennium glass in the central panel of the east window in the south aisle. This was organised by the Parish Council as a millennium project for the village and designed by Eric Eckersley. When the window was installed Sue Shrager, chairman of the parish council at the time, was quoted in the Diss Express as saying 'The window depicts Christ holding the world in his arms above an English Oak, with St. Mary's church in the background. It has really been designed so that it has a local feel to it and the whole village can feel part of it because there are things in it they can recognise and relate to.' The glass used in the oak tree was a new design as it is fused with copper wiring which gives a pearly effect when the sun shines on it.

Another later addition to the church is the pottery plaque in memory of Basil Brown of Rickingham who discovered the Sutton Hoo ship burial, one of the most important finds of Anglo-Saxon England. The plaque was donated and organised by Suffolk Institute of Archaeology and History. It was made by Gilbert Burroughs, a potter, whose family came from Rickingham and he went on digs with Basil when he was younger.

Jeff Lamb has been churchwarden of Rickingham for the past nine years and is retiring from this in April and, at the moment, there is no one to take his place. Part of his job was to make sure the churchyard and church were maintained. If anyone can help with maintenance towards keeping this historic building and churchyard in use for the next nine hundred years future generations will be very grateful.

- (1) Notes from Elizabeth Cockayne.
- (2) *A walk through Rickingham* by Diana Maywhort, Quatrefoil
- (3) *Victorian and Edwardian Rectors of Rickingham* by Sarah Doig, Quatrefoil

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Other Inns and Pubs in Botesdale and Rickinghall - Part Six

Following my previous articles this one is about the final group of inns, pubs and beer houses in Rickinghall and Botesdale that we know about. However if anyone has any more information about any of these pubs, any other pubs or has any deeds for these buildings, that they could let us see, please do let me know.

The house in Botesdale now called Street Farm was where an inn called **The White Hart** was situated. In 1464 the tenement was called 'Le Hert' but it is not clear if it was an inn at this time. (1) In a 1512 survey of Botesdale William Garsington held one tenement called 'le Herte'. This same William Garsington sold 'The White Harte Inn' to Sir Nicholas Bacon in 1567 for £100. This is the first time it is actually called an inn.

In 1604 it is mentioned as being 'a tenement of the lord leased by Robert Morrys' and in 1624 Sir Edmund Bacon leased it to Thomas Howlett. In 1704 Sir John Holt, who was by then lord of the manor, leased it to Henry Wright of Botesdale who was an Innkeeper. However in 1717 Rowland Holt, Sir John's brother, leased the 'tenement or farme ... called the *White Hart Farme to John Hobbard*' for 15 years, so it appears to have ceased to be an inn and become a farm by this date.(2)

The house, again in Botesdale, now called Pantiles was formerly **The Queens Head** public house which operated until the mid-20th century. William Morley was the landlord in the 1920s and 30s. The last landlords were Cyril and Flo Smith who went from here to be landlords of The Bell. References have been found to it being a pub in 1733 but it was possibly in business before that time. Could the name indicate it became a pub in Queen Anne's reign? She reigned from 1702 until 1714. It may have started as a beer house as in 1724 Richard Waynforth a beer brewer '*surrendered le Queens Head for the use of Robert Denny*'.(3)



Hamblyn House is a 17th century house lived in in the 19th century by James Hamblyn Smith and later the Robinson family. For a short time in the mid 20th

century it became a hotel owned by the St. Peter's brewery. It closed in the early 1990s.

An inn called **The George** was mentioned in a document from the early 17th century as being in Botesdale but no other reference to this pub has since been found.

There were several smaller pubs and beer houses in the village at various times. Two of those that we know about are the **Four Horseshoes** in Rickinghall which became a beer house in 1868 and continued as such until the early 20th century and **Ivy House**, next to the Corner House in Back Hills, which in the late 19th century and early 20th century it was also a beer house.

As far as we know there were no pubs or beer houses on Botesdale Common. However at Allwood Green there was both a pub and a beer house in the 19th and early 20th centuries; **The Cross**, now called Crossways, was situated at the cross roads, where the Finningham Road meets New Delight Road and **The Tiger** which was situated further along the Finningham road, on the left, towards Rickinghall.

The Cross was owned by the Norwich Brewery, Youngs Cawshays and Youngs, and was built about 1880. The licensee in 1900 was Jonathan Baker. As with most other pubs in the villages, a living could not be made from running the pub alone so he was also a blacksmith. It closed as a pub in the 1950s. Rowland (Dodd) Tuffs was the last licensee. He was also a thatcher, mostly thatching the stacks of corn for the surrounding farms. These had to be thatched, before the days of plastic, to keep the rain from the stacked corn.

The earliest reference to The Tiger being a beer house is at the Petty Sessions reported in the Ipswich Journal for 12th April 1884 when the owner, John Thurston of Walsham, applied for an interim licence for it. It was reported that parishioners had petitioned for this licence not to be allowed as there was another public house within 50 yards of The Tiger. This must have been The Cross. Beer houses such as this one did not have a bar counter, merely a hatch to serve from, and there was a hatch between the kitchen and front room in the Tiger. The story goes that as it was a beer house it was not allowed to sell spirits. When the customs and excise men visited the spirits would be quickly taken across the road to Nan Hazle's Lane and hidden in the ditch!

The Black Swan on the border of Rickinghall and Wattisfield was an inn in the 19th century. Sarah Buck was the victualler there in 1844.

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Nyall's Notes

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The story of Easter is very simple: on the Thursday evening Jesus has a meal with his twelve disciples. They bicker about who is the greatest and, during that time, one of them leaves and tells the Jewish authorities that later on he will lead them to Jesus. He is thus betrayed by one of his closest disciples. Jesus goes to a garden, local to where they were for the night and, knowing the horror of what is in store for him, is in agony, sweating what appear to be great drops of blood. His whole being cries out against what is about to happen. His betrayer leads a band of temple guards and priests to that place so that he is arrested, knocked about by the soldiers and undergoes a trial fuelled by false accusations. The authorities persuade the Roman governor to put him to death after a very brutal flogging. To ensure that he is dead a Roman soldier thrusts a spear into his side yet, on the Sunday Jesus appears multiple times, alive to many of his disciples having overcome death.

There is a statement about this later on in the Bible. It says, "for the joy that was set before him he endured the cross and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God."

Jesus made it clear during his lifetime that he had come from God and that his natural home was in heaven thus we have to conclude that the reason he endured the cross was not that he would after it go back to his Father in heaven. He could have stayed there. To set the seal on that idea he even said that, had he asked, legions of angels would be sent to rescue him. There has to be another 'joy' set before him that needed that horrific death on the cross. The fact that the Bible says that Christ died for us brings us to the conclusion that that joy is the relationship that he would, due to the cross, have with Christians.

Would you go through that agony for anyone? Perhaps there are some that would be tempted to say that they would, but they would have to love that someone very dearly knowing that that person loves them. It would help if that person was very good. But Jesus died for bad people who are described as his enemies: "For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life."

The purpose of Easter is encapsulated in that one sentence. *Reconciled by his death*: there is the crucifixion. *Saved by his life*: there is the resurrection.

Jesus has died and is alive. He knows the way through death to life thus he can bring those that trust him through death to life.

The message of Easter: through death to life for those that believe.

*The Lord has
risen indeed*

Luke 24 v.34

Bill's Birds

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First of all I would like to thank Matt for supplying a picture for this month's column. Appropriately the subject concerns migration and it is spring and we are expecting the arrival of many of our summer visitors. Some will already be here—the Swallow on 17th February, a single bird at Sudbourne in Suffolk. Sand Martins should already be here and usually seen on Lackford Lakes.

This year spring, even summer, seems to be here already with record temperatures in late February, plus blue skies and no rain. Our present bird vocalists are doing their best, notably the Song Thrush, the Hedge Sparrow and of course, the Robin. It is as though the stage is ready and the curtains drawn back but the other actors have still to arrive. Who will hear the first Cuckoo? It is usually on Redgrave Fen or coming up the Fen Lane valley.

Goodbye to those winter thrushes, the Redwings, Field Fares, and also the colourful Waxwings, (only a few this winter) - all will be on their way north. On 13th February I saw and heard a skein of Pink Footed Geese coming over Redgrave Lake and going north to the Fen then west to Hinderclay. Possibly due to the warm weather they were becoming restless and taking short journeys before their long flight north to Iceland and Greenland.

Warblers will appear soon to join the 'home singers', but some of the species, the Black Cap, may have stayed here over the winter months instead of going to and fro from the Mediterranean. Three gardens in our parish have had them at their bird feeders.

Several birds have arrived in this country to stay and not just on migration. The Collar Dove, 'common' after only its first appearance circa fifty years ago, and the Little Egret about the same time. Several pairs nest near Redgrave Lake. Two other members of the egret family are making occasional appearances—the Great White and the Cattle. I suspect within ten to twenty years they will also join the Little Egret in numbers.

Recently, I have been fortunate enough to be able to visit Redgrave Lake. What a home for residential duck, Mallard, Gadwell and the Tufted, but also for many visitors : Widgeon, Pochard, Teal and Shoveller. Coots abound as do visiting gulls.

Soon will come early Swallows and later Martins and Swifts to the lake. These birds usually first appear for the flies that abound near the water. Later you may be able to see the Common Tern 'passing through' and possibly the Black Tern (if you are very lucky). The heronry will fill later as will the gathering of Little Egrets.

I have left until last the three pairs of Great Crested Grebes. Beautiful large diving birds, with prominent brown/orange crests. Pairs have affectionate mating displays and the parents may later be observed carrying their young on their backs.

April will be a very busy month for 'birders'. Do keep in touch. How grateful we are to Matt for his migration cartoon.

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School news

Where has the spring term gone?

Both children and staff have had an enjoyable and busy term.

I have been very impressed with the effort that the children have been putting into improving their writing skills. Improving the quality of our writing, especially our spelling, punctuation and grammar, is our prime areas for improvement at St Botolph's and something that as a school we are committed to. Over the past term many of our children have started to realise that with some hard work and determination they can achieve success and this will provide them with the confidence they need to progress even further.

I am always impressed and very proud of the children who persevere and experience the challenge and struggle that often goes with learning and improving. Recently a pupil brought me a piece of writing that he had completed at home. It was a wonderful short story which made me very proud of him. When children choose to write for enjoyment and pleasure we know that they are heading down the right path.

The children continue to enjoy a wide range of experiences at school. We now have more children learning musical instruments including brass, guitars and recorders. Creativity around the school continues to provide the children with opportunities to express themselves through art and technology and physical activity and sport remain important. The school hockey team recently won a bronze medal in the High Suffolk Hockey tournament. It was a fantastic achievement and I was very proud of all of our team.

During March we supported Comic Relief and held our annual book day. This year the children came to school in their pyjamas and brought a

book with them. All children took part in reading activities throughout the day. The day finished with a whole school assembly where we shared what we'd been up to and tried to guess the title of two mystery books. It was a lovely event and so nice to see the children enjoying books and the simple joy of reading.

I hope you all have a wonderful Easter.

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We will be spending lots of time outside playing in the sand pit, mud kitchen, riding bikes and scooters.

We are also looking forward to having lots of fun and learning in the wood by doing bug hunts, den building, bark rubbings, woodland crafts, weaving and math challenges with natural materials.

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, stories and lunches. **This years transitions start at the end of January for those children going St. Botolphs in September.**

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 preschool.

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.

The pre school is now a member of **Easy Fundraising** where online shoppers can raise funds for us. This doesn't cost you a penny and it's easy to get started. Simply register on-line and add us as your chosen cause. Everytime you shop online at one of the 3,191 shops and sites they give Easy Fundraising a commission for your purchase. They then turn that into a donation and give it to your good cause. Easy! For more info please visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk

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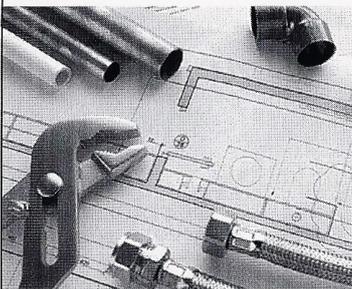
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April Cookbook

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

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It's a late Easter this year, and a favourite recipe at this time of year has to be Simnel cake—complete with 11 marzipan balls: - one for every disciple except for Judas!

Easter Simnel Cake

Ingredients:

- 4oz/100g glace cherries
- 8oz/225g soft butter
- 8oz/225g light muscovado sugar
- 4 large eggs
- 8oz/225g self-raising flour
- 8oz/225g sultanas
- 4oz/100g currants
- 2oz/50g candied peel
- 2 lemons grated zest only
- 2tsp ground mixed spice
- 1lb/450g marzipan
- 2 tbsp warm apricot jam

1. Quarter the cherries, and rinse in a sieve—drain well and dry on kitchen towel.
2. Put the cherries in a bowl with the other ingredients (except marzipan and jam) and beat until mixed. Pout half into a greased and lined 20cm/8in cake tin.
3. Take 1/3 of the marzipan and roll into a circle the size of the tin and place on top of the cake mixture. Spoon the rest of the cake mix on the top and level.
4. Bake in a preheated oven (150C) for 2.5 hrs, or until well risen, brown and firm to touch. Leave in tin to cool for 10 mins then turn out and cool on a rack.
5. When cool, brush the top with the warm apricot jam and roll out another 1/3 of the marzipan for the top. Press the marzipan top on firmly and decorate.
6. Make 11 balls out of the remaining marzipan. Brush the marzipan top with beaten egg and arrange the balls. Carefully place the cake under a hot grill to lightly toast the top of the cake.

Delicious!

Redgrave Neighbourhood Plan

Update on Progress So Far....

The Steering Group for the Redgrave NP has been meeting regularly over the last couple of months.

One key development is the creation of a website which will gradually fill up with the evidence base as the plan development progresses. The website can be found at:

<https://redgraveneighbourhoodplan.wordpress.com/>

In February a productive meeting of the 'Working Forum' was held which was really useful in formulating Our Vision



for the Redgrave NP—this will be a clear and concise statement about how we, the community, want to see the village develop over the lifetime of the plan.

A draft Vision has been published on the Redgrave NP website—your feedback is welcome!

The next stage is to develop key objectives for the Redgrave NP, a process that will involve full engagement of the village. A key step in this process will be working with a consultant—the steering group is currently in the process of engaging a specialist with experience of developing Neighbourhood Plans to assist in this task.

Design a Logo Competition

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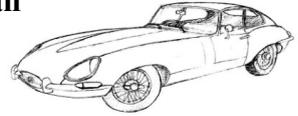
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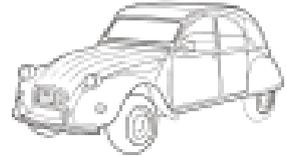
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Date	1st reading	2nd Reading
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14 th April	Liturgy of the Passion	TBC
21 st April	Acts 10:34-43	Luke 24:1-12
28 th April	Acts 5:27-32	John 20:19-end

Urgent help needed for the Role of Churchwarden

Jeff Lamb will be stepping down as Churchwarden at our **Annual Parochial Church Meeting, on Sunday 7th April 2019.** We are entitled to two and for the last few years Jeff has been our sole Churchwarden. A copy of the duties of a churchwarden is available from the Rector (see contact details on page 2), alternatively you can speak to Jeff on 01379 890204. Jeff has been Churchwarden for the last nine years and we warmly thank him for all that he has done.

Church Services and Flower Rotas

Service	Task	7 th April	14 th April	Maundy Thursday 18 th April	Good Friday 19 th April	Easter Day 21 st April	28 th April
9:15 Redgrave All Saints Holy Communion	Lector	Mrs F Lamb	-	-	-	Mr J Walker	-
	Sidesman	Mrs F Lamb	-	-	-	Mrs C Hilliard	-
10:30 All Saints All Together	Lector	Mrs S Schofield	-	-	-	-	-
	Sidesman	Mrs K Gunn	-	-	9.30 Walk of Witness	-	-
10:30 St Botolph's Chapel of Ease Holy Communion	Lector	-	-	-	- United Service 10.00am Botesdale Marketplace	Mrs C Davidson	Mr J Wright
	Sidesman	-	-	-		Mrs L Wills	Mrs J Wright
10:30 St Mary's Rickinghall Holy Communion	Lector	-	Mrs C Davidson	Joint Service 7:30 Mrs F Lamb	Dev Service 2:00 Church Warden	-	Janie Whitehead
	Sidesman	-	Mrs S White	Mrs C Davidson	Rector	-	Mrs M Self
6:30 St Mary's Rickinghall Evening Prayer	Lector	-	Mr R Rixon	-	-	-	-
	Sidesman	-	J Sheehan	-	-	-	-
Redgrave All Saints	Flowers	No flowers	No flowers	No flowers	No flowers	Mrs Lamb	-
Rickinghall St Mary's	Flowers	No flowers	No flowers	No flowers	No flowers	-	-

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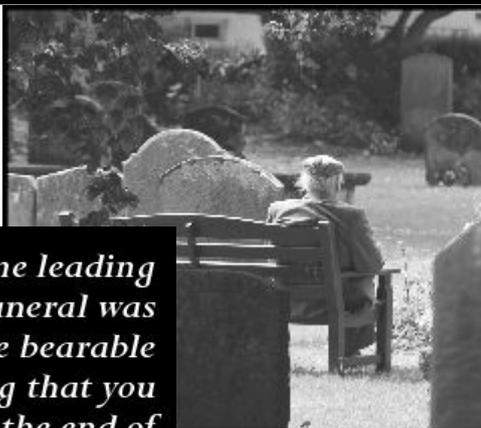
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Sunday 7 th	One service at 11.00am (including Communion)	
Sunday 14 th	Communion service at 10.00am and 'Coffee On A Sunday' at 11.00am	
Sunday 21 st	Easter Sunday service at 11.00am (including Communion)	
Sunday 28 th	Communion service at 10.00am and Main service at 11.00am	
Events at Parkview Chapel		
Thursday 4 th 2:00pm	Praise Hour	
Saturday 6 th 7:00pm	Quiz Night with Fish 'n' Chips (for more details, see page 9)	
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April	Services - - - every Sunday at 10.30 am unless otherwise indicated - - -	
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Sunday 14 th	Mrs Jane Mottram	
Thursday 18 th	Maundy Thursday 7:30pm St. Mary's Rickinghall	
Sunday 21 st	Easter Day Holy Communion with Rev. Heather Sorrell	
Sunday 28 th	Local arrangement	
Events		
Tuesday 16 th	Christian Forum : Hackney to Dartmoor with Gill Brown	7:30pm
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7th April '19 5th Sunday of Lent



10.30 All Saints, Redgrave
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share" lunch.

14th April '19 Palm Sunday



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

18th April '19 Maundy Thursday



7.30pm St Mary's, Rickinghall
United Holy Communion

19th April '19 Good Friday

9.30am Walk of Witness Rickinghall Village Hall
10am United Service Botesdale Market Place
2pm Devotional Service, St. Mary's, Rickinghall

21st April '19 Easter Day — Alleluia He is Risen!

9am All Saints, Redgrave, BCP Communion



10.30 St. Botolph's,
Botesdale
Family Holy Communion

28th April '19 2nd Sunday of Easter

10:30 St. Botolph's, Botesdale, CW Communion



10.30 Botesdale Village Hall
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6.30pm St Mary's, Rickinghall, Evening Prayer

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Thur. 18th April 9.45am
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"What is Next, God?"
Thurs. 11th April 7.15pm All Saints,
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Tues. 23rd April 7.15pm All Saints,
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