

PARISH MAGAZINE

Redgrave cum Botesdale with the Rickinghalls

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What turbulent times we are living in! Energy crisis, climate crisis, war in Ukraine, rising inflation, governmental crisis, mass shootings in America. Oh, don't forget, Covid! This list could go on. What we need is a good dollop of joy in our lives and the world!

What does it mean to live lives of joy, particularly when we are experiencing realities of injustice, war, dissention? No matter what your religious or spiritual affiliation, role, or phase of life, I believe that the Christian message of joy rooted in God's love leads to hearts filled with hope, which makes the realities of our time more bearable, after all God calls all to lives of joy!

So what is joy? Joy is often lumped into that big bucket of positive emotions, such as happiness and gladness, which in turn are contrasted with negative emotions, such as sadness and anger. It is generally believed that the word positive stands for good, while the word negative stands for bad. However, from a Christian perspective, this definition of joy comes up short. For Christians, if joy were simply a desirable positive emotion we pursue while avoiding bad emotions, then this pursuit would rightly be guilty of what Karl Marx criticised as Christian escapism—joy as an opium against suffering for desperate people.

Research shows that the experience of joy is closely tied to how we define what is good in the world: we experience joy when we celebrate things in ourselves, relationships, or surroundings as being truly good. Think of the birth of a child, a reunion with a long-lost friend, or the completion of a meaningful project. Think of how communal celebratory traditions (e.g., birthdays, Christmas) elicit feelings of connection, love, and joy.

Joy also helps us to enjoy God's gift of laughter. Psalm 2 paints a picture of God Himself sitting in heaven laughing (v4). The writer of Proverbs describes the "woman of strength" as one who can "laugh at" times to come (Proverbs 31:25). Life can become taxing at times, and moments come when we desperately need a change. Laughter is one way our loving Creator God gave us to switch gears and punctuate monotony with joy. Humour is an exit from the mundane "road of life." Laughter is a simple yet reasonable prescription for some of life's ills and most of its tedium (Proverbs 17:22).

The medical world recognises the healing properties to humour, especially in cases of mental illness, such as depression. Certainly, humour defuses tension and helps put one at ease.

With so much tragedy in life, choosing joy and humour instead of despair is good Scriptural advice. Joy and humour generally involves an acceptance of the ups and downs of life and the determination not to take ourselves too seriously. To combat stress, to relieve tension and even to provide delightful diversion in the midst of trials and sufferings, joy, laughter and a keen sense of humour may prove to be precious possessions.

Jesus Himself was witty and full of life in His responses. He used irony, word play and hyperbole to get across His messages. In Matthew 22:15 – 22 Jesus cleverly eludes the trap of the Pharisees and unmasks their hypocrisy – He asks a Pharisee for a coin with an image of Caesar and an inscription proclaiming Caesar to be god, knowing that to carry such a coin was breaking two commandments (Exodus 20:3 – 4).

How can we be joyful in the midst of grief and brokenness? The apostle Paul admonished us to trust God even within tragedy and choose to dwell on what is good in the person or situation (Philippians 4:6 – 9).

A number of Hebrew and Greek words are used in the Bible to convey the concept of joy. In fact, the word "joy" is found more than 150 times in the Bible. Joy comes from God as a result of faith and obedience (John 15:10 – 11; Romans 15:13). The abundance of joy is in direct proportion to the intimacy and steadfastness of your walk with the Lord. Sin in our life can rob us of joy (Psalm 51:8,12). True joy is evident regardless of circumstances. The Spirit-filled believer continues to rejoice even amidst troubles (James 1:2 – 3). Biblical joy is clearly different from earthly, temporal pleasures that are bound to circumstances.

The purpose of joy is to provide blessing for the believer. Joy enables you to enjoy all that God has given — health, family, friends, opportunities, your life and salvation. As you experience true joy, your joy can then be shared with others (Romans 12:15). Abundant joy is a fruit of the Holy Spirit for those who walk in faith. Take a moment to dwell on what is good in a difficult person or situation in your life. Thank God that He loves and cares for you through every circumstance, and then receive the gift of His joy, a joy that sustains you through all the ups and downs of daily living.

With every blessing of joy as you continue to enjoy the summer.

Chris Norburn.



Please note the following changes to the **Local Services Directory**
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Section	Changes
Clubs	<i>Dance Fitsteps</i> removed - no longer running
Community Assets & Projects	<i>Rickingham Village Hall</i> contact is now Deputy Chair Dominic Ebert (dominicrvhmc@gmail.com)
	<i>The Cross Keys</i> General Manager replaced with <i>Currently vacant</i>
Community Services (local) / Parish Councils	Rosemary Jones added as <i>Botesdale Acting Tree Warden</i> and changed to <i>Rickingham Tree Warden</i> (previously shown as <i>Acting Tree Warden</i> for Rickingham)
	<i>Redgrave Parish Clerk</i> changed to <i>Currently vacant</i>

Message from the team

We hope you like our cover picture—this was produced by **Jack Stracey from Coreweb - see page 37**. We have all been enjoying the summer—in spite of dire warnings that we may get too hot! Still plenty of events happening in the villages so please support them where you can. As always, thanks to our advertisers, without whom there would be no magazine.

Charles Murray

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- **Oct issue 12 Sept (Mon)** Come and help stuff the magazine @ All Saint's, Redgrave—3.15pm on **23 Sep (Fri)**
- **Nov issue 10 Oct (Mon)** Come and help stuff the magazine @ All Saint's, Redgrave—3.15pm on **21 Oct (Fri)**
- **Dec issue 18 Nov (Mon)** Come and help stuff the magazine @ All Saint's, Redgrave—3.15pm on **25 Nov (Fri)**

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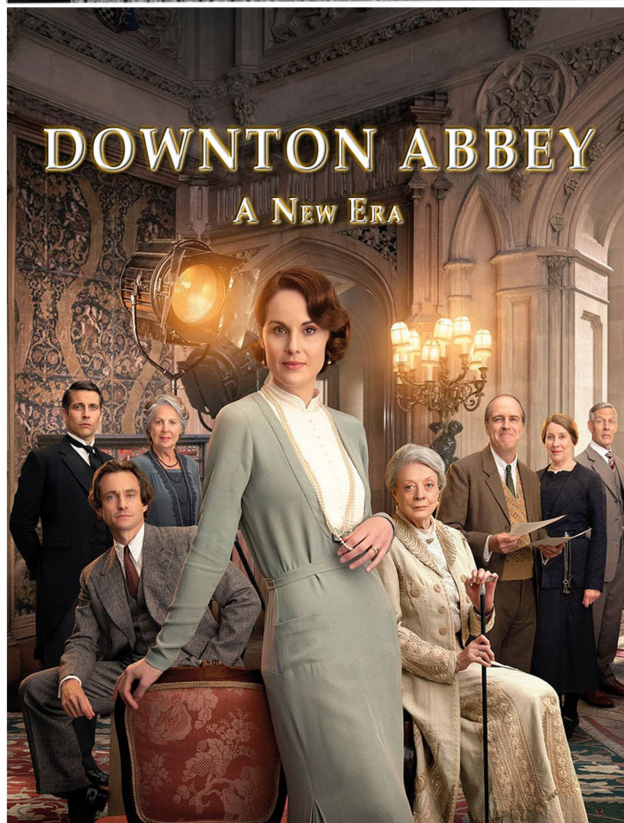
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August	Wild families Tue 2 Aug, 2pm-4pm. Dragons and damselflies. Wed 10 Aug, 10am-12noon – Treasure hunt £5 child, £3 adult
	Holiday Club Wed 3 Aug, Thu 11 Aug, Tue 16 Aug, Thu 25 Aug 9am-3.30pm. For unaccompanied 6-11 year olds. Wild play, games, activities. £25 each inc healthy, vegetarian lunch
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	'Inspired by nature' Art Exhibition Sat 27, Sun 28, Mon 29 Aug, 10am-4pm. Artwork by local artists on display/for sale. No booking, free entry, refreshments available
September	Fen mosaic hare weekend Saturday 17 & Sunday 18 September, 10am-4pm. With local craftswoman Joy Holden. £100, incl. materials
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

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Thursday 8th September

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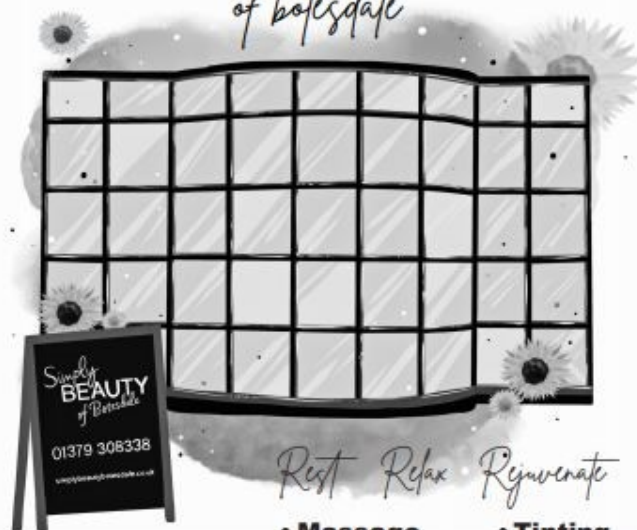
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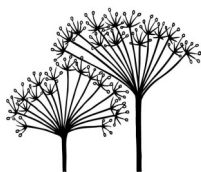
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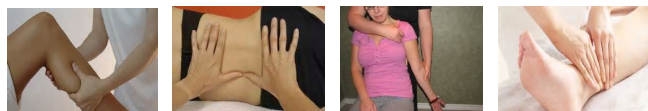


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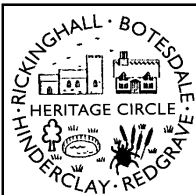


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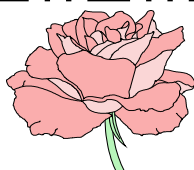
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Botesdale Parish Council

Leeann Jackson-Eve



Report from the July 2022 Botesdale PC Meeting

Five members of the Parish Council were present for the meeting with apologies from Cllr Russell. There were no members of the public.

Planning: There was one application for replacement of all windows, doors, fascias, bargeboards and guttering at 20 Rose Lane, to which there was no objection.

The PC has received a response from Bennett Homes which confirms that future communications with them during the construction phase of the development at Land South of Diss Road, including complaints or comments, should be made through Simon Rolfe, the Operations Director via info@bennett-homes.co.uk, marked up for his attention. We also asked them for a contribution towards the Regeneration of the Recreation Ground, which will no doubt be a great draw when it comes to selling the homes. Their response indicated that the project was "most admirable" and they have offered a contribution of £1,000 towards the ongoing maintenance of the new facilities.

Diana Maywhort, our Local History Adviser, has asked for the PC's support in promoting the locally used "Barley Birch" as the name for the site rather than Skylarks. It was noted that Skylarks was likely to be for promotion only, but the PC has agreed to be proactive in suggesting appropriate street names for the site and will contact the Street Name Management team at Mid Suffolk District Council.

Recreation Ground Project: The construction works are progressing with the focus on the infrastructure, i.e., paths and mounds, and the first tranche of Miracle Play Equipment has been delivered to the contractor's off-site facilities. Work is in hand to extend the site security to the existing gated access and western perimeter due to signs of continuing use. We are anticipating a significant "ramping up" of site activity in the next weeks to ensure achievement of the November 2022 completion date. Entries for the Community Art Project closed at the end of June and an exhibition will take place at the Village Hall in September 2022 to display the entries and select the chosen illustrations.

The PC is in the process of adopting an Operations and Maintenance (O&M) document drafted by the Recreation Ground Regeneration Sub-Committee which outlines the future management needs of the Recreation Ground. One key feature which has emerged from the development of the document is the need for "consistency", for the O&M to be undertaken in such a way as to ensure that the users can always rely on the fitness for purpose, presentation, and availability of all the facilities. We are considering how best this can be achieved.

Finally, in the autumn we will be unveiling a special dedication opportunity within the Recreation Ground which we hope you will support!

Correspondence: Last month the Suffolk Association of Local Councils invited the PC to nominate individuals or groups for Suffolk Community Awards with a closing date of 17 July 2022. We are supporting Rickingham PC in making a nomination and hope to publish information about it if an award is made.

CIL Update: The PC has received an update on Community Infrastructure Levy funds due to be paid to the Parish Council. The MSDC CIL Developer's Database indicates that the PC is due approximately £52,924 in October 2022 and £54,056 in April 2023. This comprises payments from the developments at Land South of Back Hills and Land South of Diss Road and will be used for infrastructure within the community. You can find guidelines for use in the Parish Infrastructure Investment Plan adopted by both Botesdale and Rickingham PCs last year on the PC websites.



Botesdale Recreation Ground – A Place for Everyone

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At the very outset of the design process we commissioned a full Ecological Appraisal of the site and the surrounding environment. The Appraisal identified the presence, or potential presence, of any protected or notable species or habitats on, or adjacent to, the site and provided suggestions to enhance the wildlife value of the regenerated facilities.

The design now under construction includes:

- The retention and enhancement of scrub and scattered trees at the boundaries of the site, enhanced to create corridors and shelter/foraging areas for wildlife including bats, birds, hedgehogs, and small mammals.
- The construction of reptile hibernacula at the boundaries using materials harvested from the tree works.
- The addition of standard bird boxes on retained trees to attract a greater diversity of birds to nest. These will be located out of direct sunlight and close to, but not restricted by, vegetation.
- The addition of bat boxes installed on retained trees to provide roosting opportunities for common species.
- The addition of insect boxes.
- Landscaping, incorporating native or wildlife attracting trees, shrubs, and wildflower areas to benefit a variety of wildlife including, birds, bats, and invertebrates, including pollinators.
- "Hedgehog links" (i.e. 15cm diameter gaps at the base of fences) to enable small mammals to move through the Recreation Ground.

If you want to know more about the Project or are keen to get involved with its establishment as a major recreational facility in the village, please do not hesitate to contact us at botesdalergp@gmail.com

THE NEXT BOTESDALE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE ON

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Redgrave Parish Council



Redgrave July 2022 Report – by the Chairman

Seven councillors attended the Parish Council meeting on 6 July 2022 with nine members of the public. Sadly, we still have no Parish Clerk and we are keen to recruit somebody to fill this role. See the separate advertisement in this magazine on Pg 32.

Public Forum: Emotions have been running high in the village prior to the Referendum on the Redgrave Neighbourhood Plan (which was to take place on the day after the Parish Council Meeting) and the future of the Recreation Ground. Given these emotions, the Chairman emphasized conditions for which the Council would accept inputs during the Public Forum. He noted that the Council would accept questions and requests for assistance but not statements or debate. Inevitably attempts were made to make such statements but these were not accepted by the Council.

The Village Tree Warden noted that he now had 250 tree saplings for planting in the Autumn.

Planning: The PC considered one Planning Application. This was for the erection of single storey rear extensions, side extension and new front porch at Springfields on the Green and this was agreed unanimously by the Council.

Neighbourhood Plan: All preparations were in place for the Neighbourhood Plan Referendum on 7 Jul 22, which then proceeded without a hitch. The results of this Referendum were announced on the following morning. These were that 278 people voted out of a possible 461 registered. This was a 60.3 % turnout which was apparently the best turnout for any Neighbourhood Plan Referendum held within the Babergh and Mid-Suffolk District Council so far.

208 people voted Yes (74.82% of the voters) and 70 voted No.

No abstentions or spoiled papers. The Neighbourhood

Plan will therefore proceed to be “made” by the District Council.

Redgrave Recreation Ground/Activities Centre Site Lease:

It was noted that there had been no further formal change in the status of the Recreation Ground since the last meeting. Preparations continue to be made for the possible re-siting of Playground equipment to the Old School Playing Field in the event that no agreement could be found with the landowner for the continuing use of the Redgrave Recreation Ground.

Vacancies: There is still a vacancy for the position of Councillor. There is also an ongoing vacancy for a new Parish Clerk, a position we are keen to fill with an enthusiastic individual who is keen to contribute to the running of the village affairs. Please contact the Chairman if you are interested in either of these positions.

THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE ON

WEDNESDAY 7th SEPTEMBER

at 7.30 pm

LOCATION TO BE CONFIRMED

The final location will be published with the agenda and distributed via our website and on the village notice board before the meeting.

All parishioners are cordially invited to attend.

In the absence of a Parish Clerk please contact the Chairman for all matters relating to Parish Council business:

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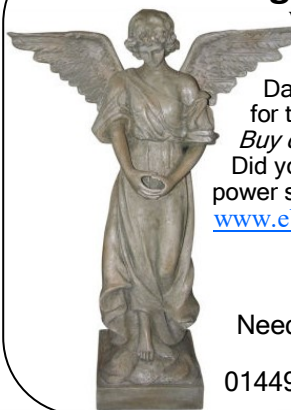
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Rickinghall Parish Council



Parish Council Report July 2022 by Cllr Geoff Short

Our July meeting can best be described as 'sparse'. As well as two councillors giving apologies, the content was pretty unusual in that there were no planning applications this month, not even a tree requiring attention. Similarly, we had no notifications from Mid Suffolk of planning applications determined.

The provision of new equipment at the Skate Park at the Village Hall should be happening very soon. The start date was meant to be immediately after the Jubilee event, but the revamp - or should that be re-ramp - has yet to commence.

We discussed a nomination from a resident for a Suffolk Community Award, which we were pleased to support, and nominations had to be in by 17 July. Certainly, in a community like ours, it is good to see the number of people who give up their time to assist in running organisations for the benefit of the residents who live here.

On that note, we still have vacancies on the Parish Council if anybody would like to join us, and in view of the space available this month our clerk is repeating the advertisement for volunteer councillors.

Unless there is a significant planning application in August we have August off, so any interested people are very welcome to come along to the September meeting to see what goes on.

Should any planning applications arise, a meeting is scheduled for 4th August.



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The Friends hosted a day to support a touring exhibition by the Food Museum (originally called the Museum of East Anglian Life). The event was held in Rickinghall Village Hall who had kindly re-hung the Millennium Tapestry showing all the organisations which were in existence in our villages which will be kept on display in the hall. The museum had brought sound recordings about food and farming memories as well as artifacts from its collections.

The WI brought along their display board showing the history of the WI in Rickinghall and the Friends provided other displays connected to food and farming and sold cookery books published to raise money for the church fabric fund. Thankyou to all the ladies who provided cakes for the refreshments and to Jackie Arnold for kindly organising it with the Museum and the people who helped with displays. The museum was pleased with the results and it was a very community based event. A total of £195 was raised for repairs to the roof of Rickinghall Inferior Church

We will continue to sell the cookery books for £4 at the Farmers Market or contact Jean Sheehan on 01379 890237. The cookery books were published to raise money for the church fabric fund and were collected from local people.

The next event to be held for repairs to the church is a concert in the church on Saturday 13th August at 6pm kindly organised by Sarah Doig. (See separate poster).

The popular Friendly Invasion evening held last year will be held again on Friday 28th October at Rickinghall Village Hall as last year tickets had to be limited due to covid.

THANK YOU from RAHOF (Rickinghall Area Hospice Fundraisers):

Our "Midsummer Pimms in the Park" event held on 25th June in Redgrave Park (by kind permission of Mrs Ann Topham) and featuring the local music group *Hexachordia*, raised a splendid £900 for St Nicholas Hospice Care, Bury St Edmunds. The RAHOF committee thanks most sincerely all those good people who supported this event in any way, helping it to be an enjoyable and successful experience, in beautiful and historic surroundings.

(From June Shepherd (Chair) and RAHOF committee)

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