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Friday 18th October	<b>12 NOON</b> 9.00 am 7.30 pm 8.00 pm	<b>COPY DATE DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER MAGAZINE</b> Yoga. Booking essential on 01379 890955 Autumn Showtime Dance Classes	Rickinghall Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall
Saturday 19th October	10.00 am 10.30 am 11.00 am 2.00 pm	Church Open Autumn History Workshop Annual Craft Fayre Jumble Sale and Book Fair	St Marys, Rickinghall Inf St Mary's Redgrave Botesdale Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall
Sunday 20th October	6.00 pm	Zumba	Rickinghall Village Hall
Monday 21st October	9.15 am 2.00 pm 7.30 pm	Rickinghall Ramblers. St Botolphs Way Walk. Tel : 898348. Needlecraft Slimming World	Rickinghall Village Hall Activities Centre Rickinghall Village Hall
Tuesday 22nd October	9.30 am 6.00 pm 7.15 pm 7.30 pm	Yoga. Booking essential on 01379 890955 Zumba Yoga & Relaxation Julie's Aerobics	Rickinghall Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall Rickinghall Village Hall
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Thursday 24th October	9.30 am	RABBATS	Rickinghall Village Hall
Friday 25th October	9.00 am 7.00 pm 8.00 pm	<b>ST BOTOLPHS SCHOOL BREAKS UP FOR HALF TERM</b> Yoga. Booking essential on 01379 890955 RAHOF Quiz Night Dance Classes	Rickinghall Village Hall Hinderclay Village Hall Botesdale Village Hall
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Sunday 27th October	6.00 pm	<b>BRITISH SUMMER TIME ENDS - CLOCKS GO BACK 1 HOUR</b> Zumba	Rickinghall Village Hall
Monday 28th October	2.00 pm 2.00 pm 7.30 pm	Needlecraft Royal British Legion Women's Section. AGM Slimming World	Activities Centre Farnish House Rickinghall Village Hall
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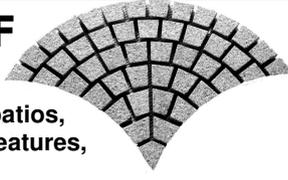
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# Exploring the Past

Jean Sheehan, 01379 890237

## Employment in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries

There has been a great deal of media discussion recently on young people finding jobs after leaving school and universities. I found this little story written by Mrs Joanna Todd, a previous Redgrave History Recorder in the 1960s and 70s, after speaking to one of the old men in the village, which is an inspiration.

*In the 1920s jobs were hard to find and there was little money handed out in relief. Mr Fred Buxton, then in his twenties, heard of a job at Fressingfield and applied for and obtained it. Having no bicycle he walked there and back every day as well as working a full day's shift. One day he was ten minutes late for work and the foreman docked his pay by half an hour. When his mates heard this they felt it was very hard on the young man so told the foreman that Fred walked there and back each day. He was much impressed and said "You're a plucky man, can you ride a bicycle?" Buxton said he could, but couldn't afford to buy one - so the foreman got one for him and stopped half a crown from his wages weekly to pay for it.*

*Buxton used to walk on the grass verges barefoot to save shoe leather as far as Hoxne when he put on his shoes.*

I am assuming that Fred lived in Redgrave, as Mrs Todd was recording Redgrave history. It is twelve miles from Redgrave to Fressingfield.

Mrs Todd also copied out this agreement for the situation of Farm Bailiff dated 19th October 1880 between G H Wilson and Mr John Sage.

- 1. The said master hires the servant and he enters into the service of the master as farm bailiff or foreman as a yearly servant from the 11th day of Oct. 1880 subject to either party giving 3 calendar months notice in writing to expire on any day in the 1st or any subsequent year.*
- 2. The servant, so long as he shall continue in the said employment of farm bailiff shall occupy and enjoy the farm house and gardens, on the Broomhills farm or such part thereof as the master may not require, free of rent, rates and taxes.*
- 3. The servant to receive a weekly wage of £1 payable fortnightly for the services of himself and his wife.*
- 4. The servant to have in addition the following allowances :- namely 30/- each following Michaelmas for materials and light used in dairy work, beer for himself and the men on the farm. For the consumption of himself and family such skim milk as he may require. Such coal and wood as is necessary for his use*

*and for keeping the house properly aired and dry. For every duck and chicken reared and sold or kept for stock, 3d, and every guinea fowl 6d, for every score of eggs 1½d, those not used for hatching to go to the Hall Farm.*

- 5. The servant shall devote the whole of his time and energy in his employment as farm bailiff, managing the cultivating and carrying on the Broomhills farm or any land added to it under the superintendence and directions of the master or his agent and for the benefit of the said master, the wife of the servant keeping the house clean, aired and attending to the dairy of cows, and managing the poultry under the same superintendence and directions. All butter to go to the Hall Farm.*
- 6. The said servant shall keep such books of accounts and other books connected with his employment as farm bailiff, and render his accounts and make up his books at such times and in such manner as the master or his agent shall require. It being understood, however, that as a general rule, the servant shall neither buy nor sell for the master.*
- 7. The servant will in all respects and at all times make himself generally useful in his said employment and cheerfully obey the lawful and reasonable orders of the master and his agent.*

*As witness the hands of the parties.*

*Signed G H Wilson*

*John Sage*

*Picture provided by Mrs Cheryl Buxton*



**Fred Buxton**

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# Neighbourhood Watch

## Heating Oil Security

Now that our thoughts are turning to keeping warm it is a good time to remind readers of measures they can take to protect their very expensive heating oil from thieves. (Extracts from the Suffolk Neighbourhood Watch Association newsletter).

- Screen the tank with fencing, trellis or a hedge
- Consider placing the tank inside a steel container and locking the container, using high security locks and fitting an alarm. The owner needs to ensure the tank has adequate ventilation to prevent a build up of vapour.
- Cover any external pipe work/fuel lines from the house to the tank.
- Install motion sensor security lighting.
- Restrict easy access to the tank. Thieves will want to get a close as possible with a vehicle, so make their lives harder with a gate or fence.
- Regularly check the fuel level so you can tell quickly if the level suddenly drops.
- Join a neighbourhood watch scheme and telephone the police if you see any suspicious vehicles close to properties.
- Check your oil is covered under your household contents insurance.

**Please note that any security measures which directly affect the tank or pipe work should be done in consultation with your heating oil supplier.**

Victims of oil theft should report incidents to the police on 101.

Two items sent by PCSO 3240 David Faulkner :

## Police Direct

Police Direct is a high tech messaging service provided by Suffolk Police, which is designed to bring you up to date information about crime and policing issues in your area. We can send you information by email to your computer, by text to your mobile phone, or by leaving a message on your landline. The service will give you a range of information relating to policing, which includes the following:

- Latest information on local crime
- Warnings about bogus callers
- Crime reduction advice
- Updates from your Safer Neighbourhood Team

It's free to join Police Direct and you choose how you want to receive the alerts, via email, text or phone or any combination of these.

You can register up to three postcodes in total. This could be any of the following:

- Your home address
- Your work address
- The address of a relative
- A business premises
- A stable yard
- A farm
- An industrial premises.

When registering you will be asked for information about yourself. You do not have to answer all of the questions if you choose not to, but the more information we have, the better we can ensure that the information we send you is as relevant as possible.

## Where to Register?

Register for Police Direct online

You can also register by telephoning 01473 613 997

Or through your local Safer Neighbourhood Team



## Internet Security

The internet plays a hugely important role for most businesses and individuals on a daily basis now, but it does have its pitfalls.

Hackers are becoming ever more prevalent and sophisticated every day. Suffolk Police's golden rules to shopping online are :

- The hacker or code writer is relying upon the fact that you become complacent and don't keep your security systems up to date. For this reason it is very important to keep your anti-virus products up to date. This reduces the likelihood of malicious code or key-logging software running on your computer without your knowledge
- Don't ever select the 'remember my password' option when registering online as your passwords are then stored on the PC, often in plain text, and are the first thing that a fraudster will target. If you were to ever lose or have your PC stolen then the passwords would also go with it
- Ensure that your credit cards are registered with your card provider's online security services such as Verified by Visa and MasterCard SecureCode
- Use only one card for online shopping, maintaining a limit on the card as low as possible, or even use a top-up card for online purchasing
- Use a credit card and not a debit card. The banks provide security guarantees with a credit card that are not given with a debit card
- Check your statements regularly. If there is any sign of irregular activity, report it straight a way
- Always check for the little padlock symbol somewhere in the browser before entering your card details
- Check the site's privacy policy for details of how your personal information will be used and only provide the minimum of personal information, especially in online forms
- Don't use links from spam e-mail to purchase goods and never rely on customers' testimonials. They could be part of the organisation's marketing strategy and may not necessarily be factual

The golden rule of commerce is still the same as it ever was – if the offer looks too good to be true, it probably is!

## No Cold Caller Zone, Church Meadow update

On Wednesday 4th September PC Anthony Price, Trading Standards Officers Lee Nunn and Heather Clayton and I called at all the properties in Church Meadow, Rickinghall regarding it becoming a 'No Cold Caller Zone' (NCCZ). There was a positive response from all residents who were at home and letters were left for all absent residents. A meeting will be called in the future to Launch the NCCZ.

*Peter H Beck*

## Local Contact Details

For Neighbourhood Watch contact your local Co-ordinator, or else in Botesdale and Rickinghall Peter Beck on 01379 890495, (email : peter@pbeck.plus.com), and in Redgrave John Robinson on 01379 890683.

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# Exploring the Past Again

Di Maywhort, 01379 898785

## Wall Cottage to Snape Farm

Wall Cottage, on the corner of Bury Road and Rectory Hill, is an early 16<sup>th</sup> century building. Upstairs there are carpenters marks on many of the timbers; there is also a shutter groove which is evidence for a medieval window. It appears that the cottage was originally divided into two and usually occupied by tenants. It was possibly a shop from at least the 18<sup>th</sup> century. Photographs from the early 20<sup>th</sup> century show a shop on the premises and two front doors. It appears that the first Post Office in Rickinghall opened here in 1890. Henry Hayward was the first sub-postmaster.

Brook House is an early 18<sup>th</sup> century building which was re-fronted in about 1830 and extended in the mid 19<sup>th</sup> century. The Amys family owned the house in the 18<sup>th</sup> and early 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. The Tuck family inherited it from the Amys (Mrs Tuck was a Miss Amys). Colonel Hasted lived here from 1900 until 1916. His grandson, Frederick Thackeray, whose name is on the War Memorial, was killed in 1915. Colonel Hasted died soon afterwards. The Tuck family lived here until the 1950s. Colonel Tuck commanded the local Home Guard unit during the Second World War. Brook Park was named in the 1990s when the houses were built there.

A milestone is still in place standing by the churchyard hedge. According to the listing it is dated to the late 18<sup>th</sup> or early 19<sup>th</sup> century and is inscribed '9m(iles) To Scole, 14m To Bury, 96m To London, 27m To Norwich'. Unfortunately the writing on it is now illegible.

At the junction of Water Lane and Bury Road is Bridge House, a late 16<sup>th</sup> century house that was altered and extended in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. It has a jetty on the south side of the house indicating that this was once the front and that this is the side that used to face the original road.

It seems that the Bury Road used to go down what is now the drive of Stanley Cottage, to what used to be the front (and is now the back) of Bridge House, across Water Lane and continue approximately where Brook House is today, nearly forming two sides of a triangle. It appears like this on the Enclosure Map of 1819 but by 1839, when the Tithe Map was drawn, the road is in the present position in front of Bridge House.

Stanley Cottage is a thatched early 16<sup>th</sup> century timber-framed open hall house, the stack and floor of which were inserted in the late 16<sup>th</sup> century.

Tudor House is probably a 16<sup>th</sup> century house. It was moved from Stowmarket in 1958. Timber-framed houses were often moved in the medieval period. They were originally built in the carpenter's yard and each timber throughout the house would be numbered so they could be easily assembled on the chosen site. It was therefore easy to take down and reassemble them.

The Old Vicarage, until recently called The Cottage, is thought to date from the 16<sup>th</sup> century but very little of this original house remains. The Amys family who owned much land in Rickinghall lived here in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. Mr & Mrs Flowerdew bought the house in 1931 and lived here from 1936. During 1944 the pilots of planes towing gliders practising for the D Day landings would look for the distinctive diamond pattern on the roof before dropping their tow ropes so they could be retrieved from a field opposite Calke Wood. (1) In the 1930s one of the Flowerdew children developed tuberculosis and used to spend his days in the study situated in the garden. He went to Switzerland for treatment but had to return in the late 1930s. His nurse, a Swiss national, returned with him and he later married her to prevent her being



The Cottage, Rickinghall circa 1895

interned as an alien. (2) In the 1950s Mrs Flowerdew held choir practice at her home every week and held parties for the village children at Christmas.

Low Meadow is a small meadow that was given to the villages of Rickinghall by the Barker family in 1997. It is now managed by Barwoods (Botesdale and Rickinghall Community Woodlands Group) which is creating a wildflower meadow there.

Briar Lodge is a flint cottage built between 1819 and 1839 as a lodge to Snape Hill House. A drive used to go from Briar Lodge to Snape Hill House. Briar Lane leads across the bypass from opposite the house.

Snape Farm was, from the 18th century, the farm associated with Snape Hill House. The listings say it is an early 17<sup>th</sup> century three bay timber-framed house, possibly with earlier origins, which was brick fronted in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. In 1437 John Gelder held a messuage or dwelling house very close to the present site. By the 1608 Extent it appears to have been in the occupation of John Hyll but this is not clear, he certainly held most of the land surrounding Snape Farm. By 1774 it had come into the possession of John Amys who probably bought it from John Freeman. The Amys family owned it until the early 1840s when they sold Snape Hill House and Snape Farm House to Thomas Norton who in turn sold them to George Holt Wilson in 1909. The Miles family moved here as tenant farmers at this time. They bought the farm from the Holt-Wilson family in 1972 and members of the family still live here.

- (1) Letter from Jack Corcoran. See Parish magazine July 2010
- (2) Information from the Flowerdew family.

## True Story of an American Tourist

Mary Pembarchy, a guide at Windsor Castle, tells this allegedly true story about what she heard last month when 'on duty'.

Mary was struggling to make herself heard over the roar of low flying aircraft coming into land at nearby London Heathrow Airport, one of the busiest in the world.

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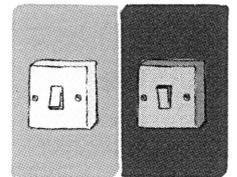
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# Village News | Thank You



## AN EVENING OF GOSPEL SONGS

In the mid 1950s I became interested in New Orleans Jazz and loved the Gospel tunes and songs that these early bands played and sang such as 'Just a closer walk with thee'. What amazed me the most was that my Mother, who would sing all day whilst doing the housework, knew many and started joining in. A few questions revealed that they were called Sankey Hymns and she had learned them as a young girl when attending the local 'tin chapel' Sunday school.

On hearing that David Freeman was to be the organist for an evening of these happy gospel songs at Hollywell Row we dusted up mother's old book of Sankey Hymns, from 1911, and went along, to find a collection of the most joyful and tuneful songs just as mother had sung. All full of great rhythm and melody, compelling one to join in the very singable choruses.

Ira D Sankey was born in Virginia in 1840 and just loved expressing himself in song. Moody, the evangelist, begged him to join him and together they toured the United States and Great Britain appearing before Queen Victoria and penning many new gospel songs as they journeyed on.

'It is a poor heart that does not rejoice' said mother so do come along and join us at the Methodist Church on Saturday 26th October. We look forward to seeing you there and do stay for a cuppa and a piece of cake afterwards.

*Neil Lanham*

Exciting Zumba classes are being held at Rickingham Hall every Tuesday from 6 to 7 pm and every Sunday from 6 to 7 pm.



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Cost : only £6 per class, or £10 for two in the same week.

Contact Jill on 01379 897055 or 07800 639141, or simply come along.

Other classes in the week are :

Wednesday, Garboldisham Village Hall, 6.30 pm £5

Thursday : Ixworth Village Hall, 6.30 to 7.30 pm £6

## Operation Christmas Child

Leaflets will be available in early October from Ann Catlin on 01379 898463.

This is the largest children's Christmas project and it is run by the Christian relief & development organisation Samaritan's Purse.



Rickingham Area  
Hospice Fundraisers



Fundraising in aid of St Nicholas Hospice Care

RAHOF has had two very successful fund raising events in recent months.

In July we held our Annual Cream Tea with Music at Redgrave. A sunny afternoon was enjoyed by all with excellent refreshments provided by Jennie and Carol and many stalls to browse and make purchases. Thanks go to June for hosting the event at her home. A profit of £983 was made for St Nicholas Hospice Care. Thank you to all who supported this event.

In August, St Botolphs Bowls Club hosted a Suffolk Pitches Charity Bowls afternoon, with a buffet provided by members of the RAHOF Committee. The event was very well supported by the bowling fraternity and the magnificent sum of £1,007 was given to RAHOF. A BIG THANK YOU to all who supported this event.

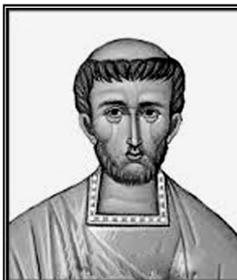
Good News - we have been told by St Nicholas Hospice Care that a donation of £500 from HSBC has arrived and that a further £500 will be donated before the end of September. These donations are as a result of our June fundraiser, 'Dancing in the Barn', held at Lyng Barn, Garboldisham, and is part of HSBC's 'Match Funding Scheme'.

*The Committee*

I would like to thank everyone most sincerely for their lovely cards, flowers, gifts and prayers which I have received during my recent illness. I am having to rest but hope to be back with you before too long.

God bless you.

*Ann Catlin*



## LOOK - ST BOTOLPH IS SMILING

Thanks to all the hard work by/of Jenifer Cordeaux and her fundraising team in 2012 and early 2013, grants from local and national organisations and donations from local individuals, we have raised enough money for the Quinquennial repairs to St Botolphs Chapel of Ease. One legacy, outstanding in its generosity, was from the late Robert Moss, and has enabled us to start this work on the 9th September 2013. Three national organisations will give grants once the work has actually started.

When all the grants have come in I will be able to tell you the total raised and the actual cost.

Our architect is Nicholas Jacob and our builders R & J Hogg.

I cannot express too strongly my thanks to everyone who has contributed to the funding.

*Anne Shorten, Churchwarden*

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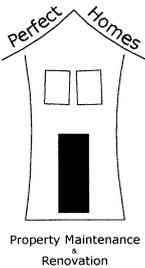
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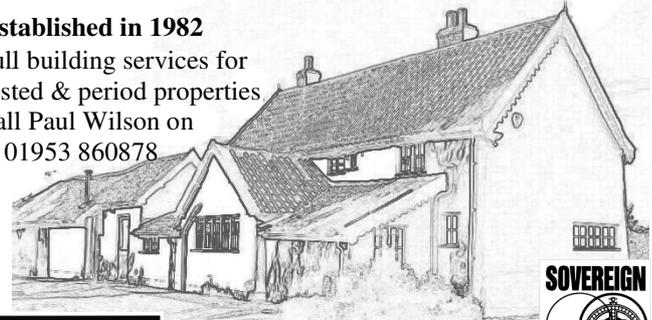
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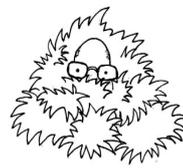
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# Nyalls Notes Bills Birds



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In an attempt to persuade you to use their services the Co-operative legal services have advertised the facts that 1 in 2 people believe in an afterlife and 7 out of 10 people believe in a soul. They say, 'Dying Matters – an organisation that promotes consideration of death – has found that most people in Britain have yet to make plans for when they die.' The Co-op legal services are into funeral plans and care plans concluding that 'Tomorrow we die. Let us think about it today.'

There is one thing you won't experience and that is your funeral. The big question for those 7 out of 10 is, 'What will you experience when you die?' If you are in the 50% that believe in an afterlife or even the 70% that believe in a soul it is only logical to think about it today.

My young granddaughter was in charge of the map as we were driving through Suffolk and started giving us instructions. I didn't know immediately and thought she was doing very well for her age until I found out that she was on a random road on a random page 100 miles from where we were. Knowing this, in reminding me to write this note in time, Lesley asked the question do we need a map to get us through life. My immediate thought was that we all get through life anyway. Aging and the time passing gets us to the destination. It is then that many find that they don't know where they are and perhaps should have investigated whether a map was available.

I have been a Christian now for a long time. I have what I believe is a well thought out Christianity that stands up to a detailed logical examination. Many, thinking that the local religion is unlikely to be right, look further afield at religions like Buddhism. They are on the wrong page of the world atlas. Then many people judge Christianity by the lives of the people they know. If you do that you're looking at the wrong page of the map. Judging by people doesn't work especially with Christianity. Christians are Christians because they have failings. Many don't want to think about it preferring not to know where they are.

The map analogy works only in terms of knowing where you are and where you are going. Christianity isn't a map but a matter of knowing the one who determines what happens when we come to the end of the journey. If we have a soul and there is an afterlife then something must determine what happens to it.

I think it's so important to know, that **I would like to invite you to a Christianity Explored course**, an informal 7-week course for people who'd like to investigate Christianity, or just brush up on the basics. We will offer it in our home either on Monday mornings (followed by a light lunch) or Friday evenings. Everyone is welcome - from the most sympathetic church goer to the convinced atheist. It will only cost you your time and you'll enjoy it.

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Contact Nyall Davies, tel : 01379 897067



## Wattisfield & Rickinghall Against Solar Power Station

Many of you will know that WRASP was successful in persuading the landowner to withdraw the proposed development on his land at West Street. WRASP is very grateful for all the help it received from the community in supporting the villagers who would have been most affected by its proximity to their properties. The web site has been closed.

So. The Swifts left on time on 8th August - my observation, but a few of you have seen some after this date - many thanks for your records. A few more Flycatchers have been seen in Rickinghall at a site which they visit annually and on 1st September I saw one on a farm in Hinderclay. It had been observed for several days with two young catching flies.



Great White Egret  
Harry Read

At last I have seen a Turtle Dove, on 1st August. A lovely bird; I had not seen one for years. The Turtle Dove is bigger than the Collared Dove, with a rich brown back and wings and a marked white band on the periphery of its tail. He (?) did not sing for me, so I shall have to wait another year to hear that lovely soft 'purring' song; typically on a sultry, hot summer's evening.

I usually find that House Martins seem to take the space formerly occupied by Swifts when they have departed. Not this year. I shall wait to see if national figures agree with me. There have also been fewer Swallows.

And now what about migration? Do we really understand how it occurs? How can young Swifts go before their parents? I have read that there are areas in bird skulls which are sensitive to the earth's magnetic system. Or, can some birds identify land marks, perhaps accompanying their parents (though not Swifts)? And then, how do they return to the same nests year after year? How also, do some of them collect together before travelling at the same time across the English Channel, having spent the winter far apart from each other in Africa?

We now know about the Cuckoo's winter movements through electronic tagging. The Cuckoo does not stay in the same spot for winter in Africa. The BTO has been deploying more tagging this year.

We think of migratory birds as our birds, but many of them spend more months south of the Equator in winter, but only a few months to breed in our islands. Likewise, many seabirds, many of whom come here to breed in huge numbers where there are suitable cliff formations on which to nest, and there is a local supply of good salt water food, before wintering somewhere on the oceans. Think of the Arctic Tern flying from the Arctic to Antarctic. Migration is motivated by the best food supply during the breeding months.

And, finally, the Little Egret. On 3rd August there were eleven on the lake on Redgrave Fen just beside the Redgrave/South Lopham Road. Seven were in one tree! What next, will they breed here? Have they bred here?

I note today, 3rd September, four Great Egrets were seen together at Minsmere. The largest gathering ever in Suffolk. Will they follow their small cousins and breed in England? (In fact, a pair has bred successfully in Somerset in 2012).

It is obvious that I find migration fascinating just as my great-grandfather (John Cordeaux) did, at the end of the nineteenth century. This was at a time when not much was known about bird migration. Some people thought Swallows burrowed in mud during the winter! John Cordeaux's portrait can be seen in the BTO library at Thetford, where many of his record books can be seen.

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# Village News 2



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If you do not have access to the internet phone Customer Service Direct on 0845 606 6067 to report the situation.

If the incident occurs at night, at the weekend or on a bank holiday, the advice from Customer Service Direct is to contact the Police, RSPCA, a local vet or local kennels.

Basically the facts are that if you find a stray dog the law requires that you do one of the following:

Return it to it's owner if possible  
Contact your local authority (district council)

Obviously, if the dog has an ID tag with the owner's details you can contact the owner yourself and arrange for them to collect the dog.

## APPEAL FOR KNITS!

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It really comes down to Goff or Watsons now, the GB Fuels companies can't match them, nor can any of the few other independents.

The next Order will be towards the end of November, ordering details and deadline will be published in the November Magazine.

*David Sloan*

## the WI RICKINGHALL

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Readings for Parish Church Sunday Services		
Date	1st Reading	2nd Reading
6th October	2 Timothy 1 : 1 - 14	Luke 17 : 5 - 10
13th October	2 Timothy 2 : 8 - 15	Luke 17 : 11 - 19
20th October	2 Timothy 3 : 14 - 4 : 5	Luke 18 : 1 - 18
27th October	Isaiah 45 : 22 - end	Luke 4 : 14 - 21

Rota	Chapel of Ease		Redgrave		Rickinghall	
	Sidesman	Lector	Sidesman	Lector	Sidesman	Lector
6th October	Mrs Moss	Mrs Shepherd			Parish Harvest - Chapel of Ease	
13th October	Mrs Walker	Mr Walker		Pulpit Swap	Mrs Rixon	Mr Rixon
20th October			Mr Robinson	Mrs McGrath	Mrs White	Mrs Whitehead
27th October			Mrs Davies	Mr Davies	Mrs Sheehan	Rector

Flowers				
6th October	Mrs Cordeaux		Mrs Lamb	Mrs Rippingall
13th October	Mrs Cordeaux		-	Mrs Rippingall
20th October	Mrs Cotton		Mrs Cavanagh	Mrs Rixon
27th October	Mrs Cotton		Mrs Cavanagh	Mrs Rixon

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\* "In Your Garden" \*

\* with Ian Shilling of Tripp Batt Country Store of Stanton \*

Vegetables – young vegetable plants can be bought now, peas, leeks, brassicas and broad beans for harvesting next spring and summer, but be sure to protect from hungry pigeons in the winter. Broad Beans can still be sown at the start of the month. Finish harvesting and storing root crops before serious frosts commence.

Night-time temperatures have been dropping, and amongst other things, outdoor tomato bushes will be vulnerable to frosts, so get as much from them as possible by carefully lifting them and hang these upside down in the greenhouse or shed, for the green fruit to ripen. Alternatively, use them for chutney.

Wasps have been particularly prevalent this year, and garden fruits, including apples, have suffered a bit. The first apple varieties to ripen are generally the least capable of being successfully stored, but the 'harder' varieties can be stored from now on, choosing only those in perfect condition otherwise rotting will soon start. Try to 'tease' top fruit (e.g. apples and pears) off their branches before they drop and damage.

Lawns – Give your lawn some strength and colour for the next few months by applying an autumn lawn treatment. Also consider spiking and aerating the lawn in order to keep it in good condition and scarify if necessary, (i.e. raking off the build up of dead grass and moss from the surface of the lawn). Electric scarifiers start from around £100. Your lawn may look worse to begin with but it will soon perk up again when the treatment cuts in. A blower/vac or rake will help to tidy up the leaves, making sure your grass gets good daylight.

Finally, autumn is tidy-up time in the garden, and we have our annual machinery demonstration day at Tripp Batt on Saturday October 12th, where there'll be the opportunity to see and try a range of machines such as log splitters, leaf blowers, vacuums, hedge-trimmers and chainsaws.

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Saturday	5th October	8.30 am	Men's Breakfast
Tuesday	8th October	9 am to 12 noon	'Coffee on the Corner'
Thursday	3rd & 17th October	2.00 pm	Ladies Meeting

Parkview  
Chapel

Diary date : Barn Dance in Rickinghall Village Hall on 9th November. See ad on Page 35.

### Regular Activities

Weekly home groups on Tuesday and Wednesday

Parkview Youth Activities—some of these activities do not take place during school holidays. See ad on page 37.

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## Botesdale Methodist Church

Sunday Services at 10.30 am unless otherwise indicated.

Sunday Club is at 10.30 am. All children are to join the Club's activities.

6th October	Mr David Freeman
13th October	Mrs Sonia Mann
20th October	Rev Heather Sorrell
27th October	Rev Brian Trudgian Holy Communion

Bible Study Alternate Mondays at 10.00 am

Christian Forum Forum Harvest Meal

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## Confirmation Preparation

On Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2013, Eye Parish Church will be hosting the Hartismere Deanery Confirmation Service (6.30pm). If anyone, adult or child, is interested in being confirmed please contact Rev Chris Norburn on 898685.

Confirmation preparation (over a minimum of 4 sessions) will help candidates to learn about Holy Communion by exploring the objects, words and actions of the Communion Service.

Depending on number adults and children may be taught together.

*Thank you*



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All Saints  
Redgrave



St. Botolph's  
Botesdale



St. Mary's  
Rickinghall

**6th Oct. '13 19th Sunday after Trinity**  
8:15 St. Mary's, Rickinghall, BCP Communion



3.00pm St. Botolph's, Botesdale  
**Parish Harvest**



*This year we welcome non-perishable produce to be given to the Waveney Food Bank.*

**13th Oct. '13 20th Sunday after Trinity**  
8:15 St. Botolph's, Botesdale BCP Communion

10:30 St. Mary's, Rickinghall CW Communion  
with the children starting at the Rectory for "Story Tellers"



**20th Oct. '13 21st Sunday after Trinity**  
8:15 All Saints, Redgrave BCP Communion



10:30 Worship Together at St. Mary's, Rickinghall  
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**27th Oct. '13 Bible Sunday**  
8:15 St. Mary's, Rickinghall BCP Communion



10.30 Messy Church in Botesdale Village Hall for crafts, songs, stories and family fun.

10:30 All Saints, Redgrave CW Communion

**Sunday 3rd Nov. '13 All Saints'/All Souls'**

8.15 St. Botolph's, Botesdale, BCP Communion  
10.30 All Saints, Redgrave, All Saints All Together  
3.00pm St Mary's, Rickinghall, All Souls Service of Remembrance



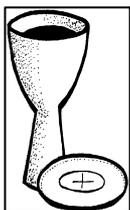
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Wed. 2nd Oct 10.00am  
**Albert Close, Rickinghall**  
Thur. 17th Oct, 9.45am  
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Thurs 3rd October, 7.30pm  
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