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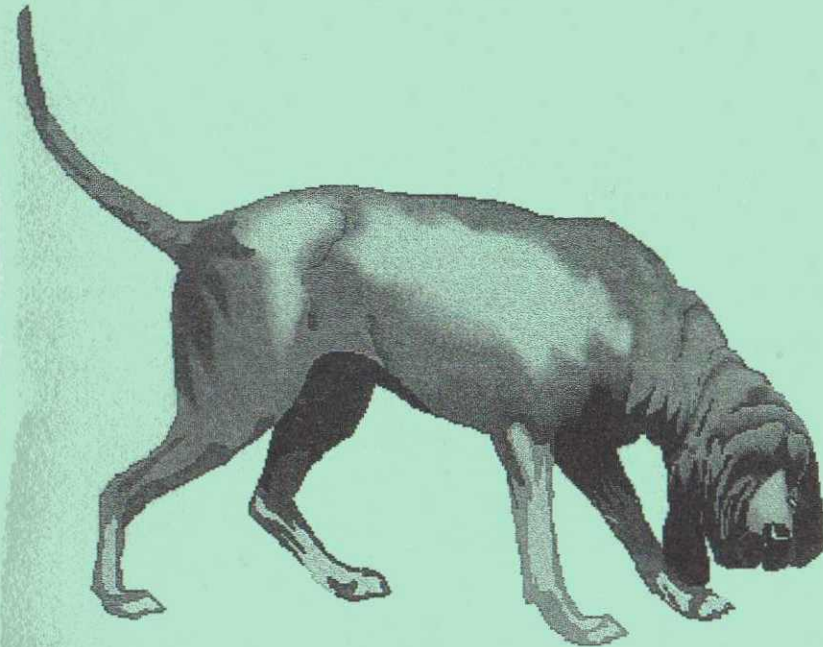
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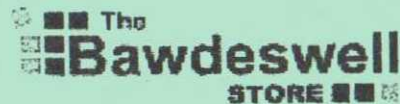


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Updated leaflets describing four circular walks near Bawdeswell & Foxley and also a leaflet with Street Map of Bawdeswell can now be downloaded in .pdf format for you to print from www.thereevestale.co.uk or www.bawdeswell.net

LETTERS

The Anti-Hunting Law & Dog Walkers

From 18th February 2005, under new Government Legislation, it will be an offence for owners of dogs to allow them to chase any wild mammal [other than a rat or rabbit] on any property.

It will also be an offence to allow dogs [whether on a lead or not] to sniff along a scent trail left by any wild mammals [except as above] on any property.

The owners of a property [and/or its manager] will be committing an offence if they allow dog owners to enter and/or use it for any of the above activities.

'PENALTY [Applicable to person owning or walking dog and to landowner/tenant]: Maximum fine of £5,000 and confiscation and destruction or disposal of all/any dogs committing an offence.

Note. Guide dogs for the blind are *not* exempt from this law.

Dog owners are probably unaware that these draconian penalties are a result of the Government's recent anti-hunting law. It follows that **the local landowners ask you to co-operate in every way in keeping dogs under total control at all times.**

D.Q.G., Bawdeswell

Litter

A concerning matter has been happening in Old Fakenham Road, Foxley. Over the last couple of months a total of 24 Liebfraumilch 1 1/2 litre size wine bottles have been found thrown onto the side of the road. Usually 3 at a time appear. They are always in the same place - just past the 20 mile speed sign on the left hand side going down the road. More recently bags of half eaten pies are also being thrown onto the same place.

PLEASE STOP IT WHOEVER YOU ARE. There are places such as bottle banks around for these type of bottles. Even if you are a secret drinker/s please dispose of them in the correct manner and think of the Countryside!

Name & address supplied, Ed.

Handicrafts

Can you please let me know if you can make or donate an item or items for the proposed Crafts and Produce stall at the Bawdeswell Village Fete in June? A decision will be made at the next committee meeting on 15th March as to whether this stall will be viable.

Please contact Sandi on 688268. Many thanks.

S.T. Bawdeswell.

MARCH DIARY

Tuesday 1st March 7.30pm at School – FOBS Meeting

Wednesday 2nd March 2pm Foxley Social Club – *Nelson's Navy* Peter Cook

Thursday 3rd March 10.20am – Class 1 Assembly For Mothers Day – Parents Invited
7.30pm Bawdeswell Book Club in The Old Workhouse Bar
7pm at Foulsham Baptist Church – *Big Family Show*

Friday 4th March *Women's World* Day of Prayer - St Margaret's, Lyng at 2.00 pm
Julian Group Meeting

Saturday 5th March – Wensum Bird Society visit to North Norfolk

Sunday 6th March – Mothers Day

Monday 7th March 7.30pm Bawdeswell Parish Council meeting

Tuesday 8th March – Free First Aid Course, Foxley Village Hall, 9.30am – 1.30pm

Wednesday 9th – Saturday 12th March, Dereham Operatic Society 7.30pm
Rock Solid Youth Group 7pm – Bawdeswell Village Hall

Friday 11th March – Red Nose Day

Sunday March 13th – Family Craft & Gift Fair, Bawdeswell Village Hall, 11am

Monday 14th March – Life & Fashion in the 40's – Beck WI

Tuesday 15th March 7.30pm At Village Hall – Fete Meeting

Thursday 17th March – St Patrick's Day
Mobile Police Station at Foxley 1330 – 1500
Wensum Bird Society meeting 7.30pm at Lenwade VH

Friday 18th March – Julian Group meeting

Saturday 19th March 7pm At The Village Hall – St Patrick's Disco and Karaoke

Wednesday 23rd March Rock Solid Youth Group 7pm – Bawdeswell Village Hall

Thursday 24th March – Last Day Of School – Easter Egg Hunt & Non-Uniform Day.

Maundy Thursday service at Bawdeswell church at 7.30pm.

Friday 25th March – Good Friday *Special Service of Word* at Foxley 10.30am
Walk of Witness from Elsing Church to Lyng Church at 3pm

Wednesday 30th March – Foxley Social Club 2pm *My Life of Crime* Patrick Monaghan

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The children had a fantastic time at Reepham Fire Station. This was a very hands-on experience with opportunities to try on uniforms, use hoses and climb on the fire engines. Visits from the police and R.S.P.C.A. were also very successful. We spent a week with the reception class celebrating Chinese New Year. The children tasted Chinese food, danced with a Chinese lion, and took part in lots of lovely craft activities. This half term our topic is 'shops'. We will be visiting Bawdeswell Store and a local bakery.

Spaces available

We are a small and very friendly group with twelve children currently attending and three members of staff.

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Linda, Tracey and Sharon

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THE FRIENDS OF BAWDESWELL C. P. SCHOOL

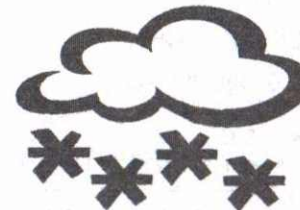
THURSDAY 3RD MARCH 10.20AM – CLASS 1 ASSEMBLY FOR MOTHERS DAY – PARENTS INVITED
SUNDAY 6TH MARCH – MOTHERS DAY
FRIDAY 11TH MARCH – RED NOSE DAY
THURSDAY 17TH MARCH – ST PATRICKS DAY
SATURDAY 19TH MARCH 7PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL – ST PATRICKS DISCO AND KARAOKE – VHC
THURSDAY 24TH MARCH – LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – EASTER EGG HUNT AND NON-UNIFORM DAY
SUNDAY 27TH MARCH – EASTER DAY

MONDAY 11TH APRIL – INSET DAY – NO SCHOOL
TUESDAY 12TH APRIL – BACK TO SCHOOL

MONDAY 2ND MAY – MAY DAY HOLIDAY
FRIDAY 13TH MAY 6PM – CHILDRENS FASHION SHOW AT SCHOOL
FRIDAY 27TH MAY – LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
MONDAY 30TH MAY – BANK HOLIDAY

MONDAY 6TH JUNE – BACK TO SCHOOL
SUNDAY 12TH JUNE 11AM – SUMMER SAFARI BIKE RIDE (FOBS)
SUNDAY 19TH JUNE – FATHERS DAY

TUESDAY 12TH JULY – SPORTS DAY AT SCHOOL
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NEXT MEETING:

An open meeting, all welcome.

**Tuesday 1st March
2005**

**At 7.30 p.m.
In School**

ENQUIRIES AND COMMENTS

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01362 688391
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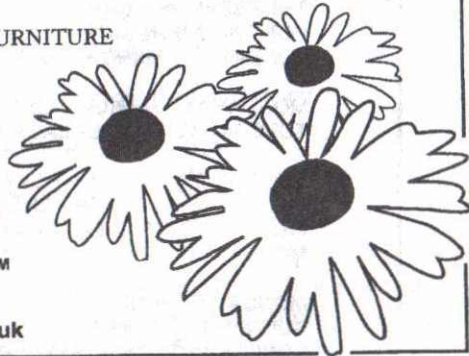
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May 21st Saturday

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June 26th Sunday

VILLAGE FETE & CAR BOOT SALE

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July 30th Saturday

CHURCH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT & SUPPER

Venue: Church & marquee

Performer: Dr. Gerald Gifford 'Georgian Delights' with instruments

Sept 17th Saturday

HARVEST SUPPER & CEILIDH

Venue: Village Hall plus Marquee

Nov 18th Friday

CHRISTMAS FLOWER & DECORATION DEMONSTRATION

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Held in the Bar on the first Thursday of the month at 7.30.

Our book choices for March are :- " Madame Bovary " by Gustave Flaubert
" The Da Vinci Code " by Dan Brown.

BOOK REVIEWS -

OUR LADY OF THE FOREST BY DAVID GUTERSON

Our Lady of the Forest is set in the town of North Fork, Washington. The local logging industry is failing and the town is a damp and dismal place. The story centres on Ann a sixteen year old runaway who is living on a camp site with a group of itinerants. Whilst in the forest picking mushrooms she 'sees' a vision of the Virgin Mary. She is told to return to the same spot on 4 occasions to witness further sightings and receive instruction. Word of the 'visions' spreads first to other people in the town and then further afield until thousands converge upon the town seeking spiritual experiences and miracle cures.

For the local priest, questioning his own faith and celibacy, and Tom Cross whose son was paralyzed in an accident for which he blames himself, it seems to offer possibilities of redemption and hope. For her 'friend' Carolyn the opportunities presented are selfish and financially exploitative.

This is an intelligently written and often compelling novel which explores how an extraordinary situation invokes the best and (predominantly) worst in human nature. It is not a comforting read, however, the setting with its constantly dripping forest, mildewed homes and cut price stores is uncomfortable and depressing and it is hard to feel liking or sympathy for the characters. This is a novel more concerned with questions than answers and there are no satisfactory 'happy endings' or revelations for the reader.

Chrissie Pickard 09 February 2005

THE WOMAN IN WHITE BY WILKIE COLLINS

Wilkie Collins [1824-1889] was a friend of Charles Dickens and a prolific and popular Victorian author. The Woman in White was published in 1860 and has never been out of print, it was first published in Dickens weekly journal. The story is narrated by various characters; the plot is complicated and full of coincidences. There is a memorable villain and a wonderful atmosphere. It is a 'not want to put down' book, I thought it was ideal to read at Christmas. It also provides a fascinating social commentary on class relations, and Victorian attitudes to the treatment of the insane, foreigners and feminism.

It is currently a West End musical and was serialized on TV.

At the same meeting people read out a poem they had chosen, these ranged from comical [Fungus the Bogeyman] to romantic [Yeats] and sad [Wilfred Owen].

Hazel Crawley 13 Jan 2005

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Mrs. I. Floering Blackman (CC) Mr. G. Bambridge(DC) 4 parishioners

PLANNING

PP granted to following

- Bawdeswell Garden Centre-new growing tunnel
- Land Reepham Road- 11 dwellings
- Letter from Broadland regarding Community Involvement to be circulated
- Vacant and surplus land – in front of Folland Court – Clerk to write to Breckland asking if they would give or sell land to PC for token sum as they have done in other cases.
- Park Farm, Dereham Road- lagoon and bund – PC had no objections.

CLERKS REPORT:

-Grass Cutting contract discussed – quote from NCS £913.01, D. Watson £704.16
RG Maint. Services quote per cut. Clerk to contact other Councils using services of D. Watson if OK, accept quote which is to be reassessed at year end.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT: In line with new act the PC would like to make its policy known:

1. PC hold an open meeting on the 1st Monday of each month (no meetings August or January) to which everyone is invited
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3. Additional information can be obtained from the Clerk (6 Hall Road, Bawdeswell)-
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SPEED LIMIT: NCC have issued a 40mph Speed Limit Order along B1145 Reepham Road from a point 395 metres north of the centreline of its junction with The Street northwards for a distance of 650 metres.

NEXT MEETING – MONDAY 7TH MARCH AT 7.30pm IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Saturday 19th March 7pm At The Village Hall -

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There is a very busy time ahead for members of the Reepham & District Rotary.

Those who are able to sing are busy practising for the old time music hall, which is to take place at Reepham High School on Saturday 19th March. The group from Sussex have again agreed to put on a new show and to help with the entertainment would be a stint from the Rotarians.

During March and April members are building a new shower and toiler block at Whitwell Hall. Luckily there are 5 builders and 2 architects in the club plus a lot of labourers! Teams of Rotarians will physically build the structure and Rotarian Eddie Rust Andrews will supervise the project. It is to be the club's Rotary centenary project.

After the building work has been completed, we then have a sponsored cycle ride on May 22nd.

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Mr Leveton who has lived and worked in Costessey since 1998, spoke of the painstaking work that is done to restore damaged paintings (and frames) to their original state. This was brought home to us by slides showing 'before and after' photographs of some beautiful paintings. A most detailed and interesting talk.

Mr Leveton then judged the exhibits - old postcards - brought in by members. 1st Audrey, 2nd Sheila. The raffle was won by Margaret. Jennifer read last month's Minutes and Aleathia reminded us of the forthcoming events.

Next meeting: Monday 14th March in Sparham's Old School Room, when we look forward to a talk on Life and Fashion in the 40s. Hope to see you all - and new members - on the 14th.

Mary Humphrey

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Wensum Valley Birdwatching Society

Despite a dismal January night more chairs than usual had to be wheeled out to seat over 60 people who turned up to our indoor meeting to hear Prof Fred Cook talk about birds of the Canadian Arctic and his study of Harlequin Ducks in British Columbia. Several non-members came along to make it an enjoyable evening (and win the raffle). Further information on Professor Cooke's work can be found on the Internet at www.sfu.ca

Also in January, and in much kinder weather, our winter bird race in the Wensum Valley was very well attended. 30 people split into 10 teams of three with the aim of identifying as many different species of bird in the WVBS area as possible within the specified time limit. The race finished off at the Bridge Inn (it is after all a fun event!) where a winner was declared. The winning team managed to see 70 species out of a total 84 which were seen on the day. Virtually every team had an unexpected bird. The best was probably 5 Snow Buntings seen between Great Ryburgh and Colkirk and a Little Egret at Lenwade. Also seen were Willow Tit, Barn Owl, Little Owl, Sparrow Hawk and Common Buzzard. From the atmosphere in The Bridge Inn afterwards it was obvious that everyone enjoyed the day.

Our outdoor meeting in March is Saturday 5th. Alwyn Jackson will lead a trip to NW Norfolk. Meet at Morrison's (formerly Safeways), Fakenham at 8.45am to depart 9am. Beginners welcome, binoculars provided.

Next indoor meeting is Thursday March 17th, starting at 7.30 at Lenwade Village Hall. The bird artist Steven Cale will give a talk on 'Birds of the Mediterranean'. All are welcome. Non-members £2. Raffle and refreshments as always.

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In the years following the end of the war, the country was under Communist domination until 1989. In the 1980s the labour union 'Solidarity' was born in the Baltic port of Gdansk (formerly Danzig) when a shipyard strike was called and spread to other areas. In 1983 the Government gave in to the demands of the workers and Lech Walesa became the leader of the first independent non-Communist trade union in the Soviet bloc. He was later to become the Polish President in 1990. A conclusive strike in 1989 culminated in the collapse of Communism and marked the beginning of freedom for the Polish people.

Let our Light Shine

We invite you to unite yourselves with them and join in our Service.

All denominations welcome Please join us for refreshments after the service.



4th & 18th March. *Details from Irene Ames.*



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From the Rector

Dear Everybody, hello again.

Dan Brown, author of the runaway bestseller "The Da Vinci Code", claimed that his book was based on fact. It is based on the idea that a secret society, the Priory of Sion, has maintained the secret of the descendants of Jesus and Mary Magdalene, who at one time became kings of France. The "grail", it claims, is really the bloodline of Jesus. A number of people said on TV they believe him.

Tony Robinson, of "Time Team" fame, in a recent TV programme, demolished these claims. As for incidental details, Dan Brown had included some which were not true or not possible – a massive database at King's College, London, which doesn't exist, and a particular candlestick used to bludgeon a nun (yes, it's that kind of book) that's too heavy to lift.

But the main idea: Robinson shows that the Grail legend didn't exist until the 11th century, when it was invented in a romance [or novel]. The Priory of Sion and its documents are a French surrealist hoax from the 1960s. It was thought up by a journalist, a fantasist, and an actor (who later gave a forty page explanation of how it was done).

Robinson does say that Mary Magdalene was probably more influential, both during Jesus' earthly life and after, than later records said. She may have had a ministry of preaching in Palestine. Over time, the church neglected or devalued the contribution of women. But she is always remembered as the first witness of the risen Jesus.

It's interesting that a book that claims that Christianity is based on a suppression of the truth is itself based on a hoax. In our world, where conspiracy theories abound, how are we to know the truth? Where do you get your values and beliefs from? And your facts?

God bless you this Easter

David Head

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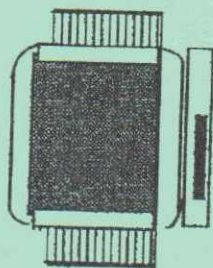
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