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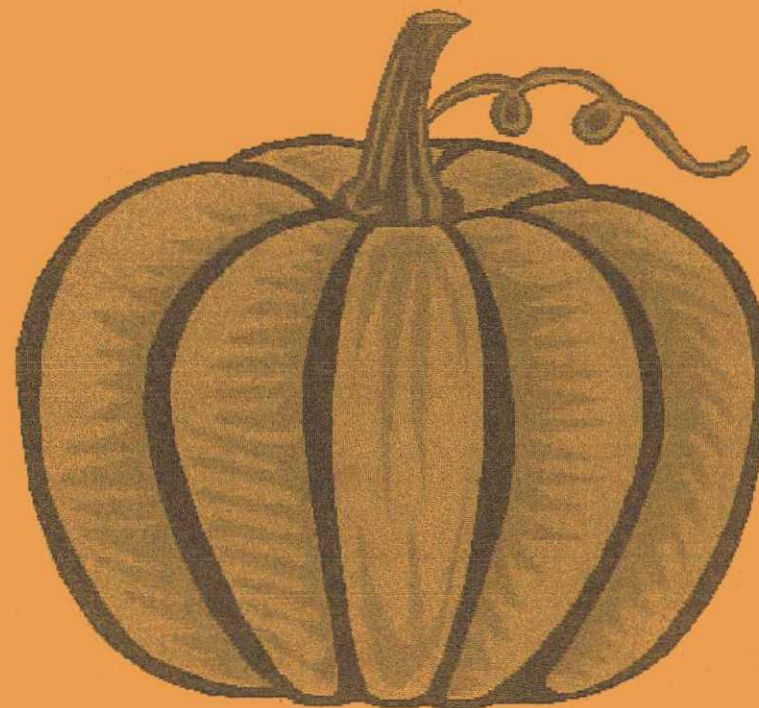
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Steven Carl Williamson Memorial Trophy

Congratulations to Foulsham F.C. this year's winners.

We raised £590 for the Jenny Lind Hospital making a total of £3,171 in the eight years since we started. Many thanks to J Baker butchers in Bawdeswell for their kind donation for our raffle and everyone who came along to the football games and bought raffle tickets.

The Williamson family.

Bert Lambeth

My family and I wish to thank all our friends and neighbours for their kind wishes at this time of our sad loss.

Doreen Lambeth

LANDLUBBERS

The children's holiday club was great fun with 31 children coming each day. We were pirates looking for treasure each day we had clues to follow on our map till Friday we found the treasure and it was not jewels but Jesus and he is with us all the time we do not have to look for him he looks for us. We went to the beach on Thursday the weather was lovely we enjoyed making our sand models then a picnic followed by a beach treasure hunt. The week was finished in the Church on Sunday where all the adults were good sports and joined in the fun, the drama was good I did not know we had so much talent. I do believe the adults enjoy it as much as the children. A big thank you to everyone who helped I get much thanks but I am only a small part we are like a wheel all the spokes are needed. *Margaret Keeler.*

SEEKERS CLUB

The club started on the 17th. September at Lyng Village Hall. This is a club for 5-10years where we do games and Christian teaching. The sessions to Christmas will be a follow up to Landlubbers.

The October meeting will be at Sparham Old School Room on the 15th 10am to 12noon.

Cost £1 all children welcome from 5years to 10years old.

We welcome older children to come and help us.

Mrs Margaret Keeler. 01603 872565.

ROCK SOLID

The 11-14 teens youth group has a new venue and new time – Lyng village hall, 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 7.30, starting 21st September.

- 03 Oct Bawdeswell Parish Council meeting 7.30
- 03 Oct Short Mat Bowls 7.30 Foxley Village Hall
- 04 Oct New Age Curling, 7.30 Foxley Village Hall
- 05 Oct Food Hygiene Course - see page 31
- 05 Oct Rock Solid youth club, 7.30 Lyng Village Hall
- 05 Oct YOGA - Foxley Village Hall 6.30pm
- 06 Oct Book Club meeting 7.30 in Old Workhouse Bar
- 06 Oct Choir Practice 7.30 in All Saints Church
- 07 Oct Julian Group Meeting - see page 34
- 07 Oct Short Mat Bowls 7.30 Foxley Village hall
- 08 Oct Project Bawdeswell meeting 10am
- 10 Oct Women's Institute meeting, 7.30 Sparham Old School Room
- 10 Oct Short Mat Bowls 7.30 Foxley Village hall
- 11 Oct School Friends Meeting 7.30 in Old Workhouse Bar
- 11 Oct New Age Curling, 7.30 Foxley Village Hall
- 12 Oct Foxley Social Club, Bingo 2pm
- 12 Oct YOGA - Foxley Village Hall 6.30pm
- 13 Oct Choir Practice 7.30 in All Saints Church
- 13 Oct Patients Group meeting, 7.30 Elmham School
- 14 Oct Short Mat Bowls 7.30 Foxley Village Hall
- 15 Oct Seekers Club, 10 -12 Sparham Old School Room
- 16 Oct Craft & Gift Fayre, 11am - 4pm Bawdeswell Village Hall
- 17 Oct Short Mat Bowls 7.30 Foxley Village Hall
- 18 Oct New Age Curling, 7.30 Foxley Village Hall
- 19 Oct Rock Solid youth club, 7.30 Lyng Village Hall
- 19 Oct YOGA - Foxley Village Hall 6.30pm
- 20 Oct Choir Practice 7.30 in All Saints Church
- 20 Oct Wensum Bird Society meeting, 7.30 Lenwade Village Hall
- 21 Oct Julian Group Meeting - see page 34
- 21 Oct Short Mat Bowls 7.30 Foxley Village Hall
- 24 Oct Short Mat Bowls 7.30 Foxley Village Hall
- 25 Oct New Age Curling, 7.30 Foxley Village Hall
- 26 Oct Foxley Social Club, Talk - *Gilbert & Sullivan* 2pm
- 26 Oct YOGA - Foxley Village Hall 6.30pm
- 27 Oct Choir Practice 7.30 in All Saints Church
- 28 Oct Short Mat Bowls 7.30 Foxley Village Hall
- 31 Oct Short Mat Bowls 7.30 Foxley Village Hall

FOXLEY SOCIAL CLUB

Please join us in Foxley Village Hall at 2pm

28th September for a Talk on "Pest Control" with
Mr Vic Williamson

12th October for a Bingo Session & bring along a "Photo of
your Child or Children"

26th October for a Talk on "Gilbert & Sullivan" with
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9th November Bring along "Mementos of your Family"

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- Salsa Dancing - 2 Taster Sessions
Wed evening @ 8pm in November
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For more information please call:

John Driver on 688713 for Computer Classes
& 688438, 448, or 768 for all other activities

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FRIDAY 4TH NOVEMBER:



Tickets: £5 per person

CONTACT: 688768/438/448

FOXLEY BOWLS CLUB

We held bowling sessions in Foxley Village Hall for 6 weeks during the school summer holidays for local teenagers. As well as Foxley residents we were delighted to welcome some from Bawdeswell over the period. We had very enjoyable sessions, appreciated by both bowlers and members of our Bowls Club who assisted. On the last Friday we held a competition and played for a cup kindly donated by one of our members Mrs Rene Kent. The winner was Callum Brett and the runner up Tom Webb. Congratulations to both. The cup and medals were presented by our club captain, Robert Dewing.

The teenagers now return to education, either to school or to college and we wish them well for the coming year. We look forward to enjoying bowling activities with them, and any others who may be interested, next summer.

Gordon Whitmore

FOXLEY VILLAGE HALL HOG ROAST

On Saturday 20th August 2005 Foxley Village Hall Committee held a Hog Roast in aid of the hall's extension fund. 'Top of the Bill' for the entertainment was Keith Skipper, Norfolk's own very humorous raconteur.

The turnout was gratifyingly keen; the hall being packed to its licensed capacity. The Hog Roast, supplied by Messrs C.R. Lake of Fakenham, was at its usual succulent best; and with the additional dishes and puddings to choose from, even those who eschew the very mention of the word 'dieting' could find no cause to complain.

After the splendid repast, we all sat back (with a glass of our favourite 'medicine') and listened to Keith Skipper telling us anecdotes and recollections from his and Norfolk's very special past. That wonderful, gentle but pithy, Norfolk humour never fails to create laughter whenever it is recounted, especially by a master such as Keith.

The evening wound down with the usual intermingling of groups and families engaging in good hearted banter and laughter - a typical end to a village gathering in fact. Ruth Whitmore, the Chair of the Village Hall Committee, gave thanks to her committee and to the volunteers who had helped to make the evening such a success. £300.00 was raised towards the Extension Fund. A very satisfying result we all thought!

D.B.



Christmas Flower Arranging Demonstration

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The FRIENDS OF BAWDESWELL CHURCH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

This year's church anniversary was commemorated on Saturday 30th July with an evening concert given by the distinguished musician, Dr. Gerald Gifford.

Entitled 'Georgian Delights', to complement the neo-Georgian architecture of our beautiful church, the programme included works by many well known and lesser known composers of the era.

The programme was executed most skilfully with Dr. Gifford introducing each piece and alternating between the harpsichord, positioned at the front of the church and the chamber organ, residing just in front of the gallery at the west end.

This gave an interesting sound dimension for the audience and demonstrated the wonderful acoustics of the building.

The Church, which had just the day before had its rewiring completed after eight weeks work, had been thoroughly cleaning from top to bottom by the friends group. She looked and smelt ready to celebrate her birthday in great style!

As usual Sue Lilwall and her team had enhanced the church with the most stunning flower arrangements, setting the scene for the recital and supper.

We were very privileged and honoured to welcome Dr. Gerald Gifford, a performer of international repute to Bawdeswell and it was very encouraging to see over 70 in the audience.

Thank you to all who helped with making the evening the great success it undoubtedly was and we look forward to bringing such high quality events to Bawdeswell in the future.

James Lilwall

Coming up - Fri Nov 18th Christmas Flower demo & Lunch

Sun Dec 11th Family Christmas Concert



BAWDESWELL COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL

MON - THURS 9am-12noon FRI-Closed

We are a small friendly group with room for more. We welcome children from 2 years to school age. If you have a child of pre-school age and would like them to join the group please contact Linda Barham (supervisor) 07990963345 (term time only) or Adele Ludgate (admissions) 01603 879995 (anytime)

We would like to welcome 4 new children to the group and welcome back the 9 other children who were with us last term.
We hope you all had a wonderful summer holiday.

This term we will be learning about ourselves and also looking at colours linked with harvest. We will also be celebrating Harvest Festival together with class 1 from the school.

MOTHER, BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

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IN AID OF BAWDESWELL COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL



BAWDESWELL COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Welcome back to everyone. We hope you all had a good holiday!

Welcome to all the new children starting this term, we are sure you will all be happy here at Bawdeswell School.

Lloyds Bank Lloyds are operating a scheme where pennies in accounts can be rounded down and credited to a Music Boost Fund at your nominated school. Leaflets available in banks. This could be a way to boost our stock of instruments for pupils in the school.

Changes to school during the summer.

A lot has been going on during the holidays around the school. We have had classrooms and hall painted, fresh drinking water made available, disabled accesses put in, new flooring, new windows to classroom 2 and new fencing around the playground.

Music

Music groups continue to thrive throughout the school, at the moment children are able to learn to play recorder, piano, keyboard, guitar, flute, clarinet, and steel pans.

If your child is interested in taking up any of these lessons please see the office for details. Adult lessons also available after school.

Staffing And Classes For September 05

Class 4, Year 5 & 6 – Miss Foucher (Monday and Tuesday) Mrs Hallam (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday) Support Assistant – Mrs Postle

Class 3, Year 3 & 4 – Mr Kerkham (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday) Miss Foucher (Thursday and Friday) Support Assistant – Mrs Barber

Class 2, Year 1 & 2 – Mrs Wilson with Support Assistant Mrs Longhurst & Mrs A Salmon

Class 1, Reception – Mrs Westall with Support Assistants Mrs Hubbard & Mrs Martin (alternating)

Mrs Jones – As part of National and Local initiatives to boost PE, Mrs Jones will be teaching PE and games throughout the school, and liaising with other schools and agencies to develop sport in schools.

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THE FRIENDS OF BAWDESWELL C. P. SCHOOL
Friends Newsletter

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Where the Money Goes

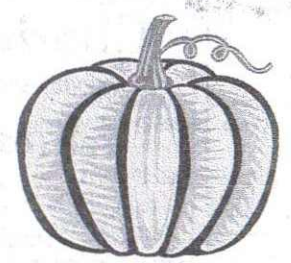
All in all the last academic year was very successful in respect to fundraising and what was achieved within and for school. There are loads of exciting and interesting ideas planned for the new academic year. Aimed at raising funds to benefit both the pupils currently attending Bawdeswell Primary School and those in the future.

The library is progressing well, slowly but surely it is becoming a very usable and well used space with ever expanding information resources, but there is still a fair way to go to complete the area, so fundraising for this project remains a priority.

Classroom contributions continue, each term an amount of money is given to the individual teachers to spend on items specific to their class. Mrs. Westall purchased equipment; Mrs. Wilson, an educational pack for Banham Zoo; Mr. Kerkham, Scrapbox equipment and Mrs. Hallam used hers for coach fares to a choir rehearsal.

Other monies raised helped to provide the children with all of those little extras which make school an overall more sociable and interesting place to be, for example the token gifts from Father Christmas last December, the generous donations from the Easter bunny and the fantastically popular climbing wall.

So with all of this in mind, watch this space, check the notice board and support the school. Every little helps and it is very much appreciated. The Friends of Bawdeswell School is a voluntary body of parents who would welcome any new members, either on a regular basis or just occasionally. More adult support is always appreciated.



We are currently trying to organise trick or treating, as we appreciate not all the villagers are happy to participate. If you are happy for children to knock at your door then please put a pumpkin or sign in a prominent place. If you really take Halloween seriously then perhaps you could contact FOBS and we could arrange apple bobbing or spooky stories in your garden.

NEXT MEETING:

An open meeting, all welcome.

**Tues 11th Oct
 2005**

At 7.30 p.m.
 In the Workhouse Bar

**ENQUIRIES AND COMMENTS
 CONTACT:-**

- Sally Swan (Secretary)
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- Sarah Thirkettle (Newsletter)
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BOOK CLUB

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Book Review *When We Were Orphans* by Kazuo Ishiguro

This book is the fictional story of Christopher Banks. It begins in London 1930 where the hero is a celebrated detective who is part of the upper middle class social circle. He reminisces about his schooldays, there is a mystery in his past which he needs to solve, the disappearance of his parents when he was a small boy in Shanghai. The book is written in the present but going back to different times in the past as his memory is sparked off by current events. In my opinion this is difficult to do well but I thought Ishiguro did it brilliantly and I never got in a muddle or forgot where I had got to as I often do. I found it enthralling and was quite desperate to get to the end where for once I was not disappointed even though I read it so quickly I missed the full meaning of an important event. It evokes the bewilderment and sadness due to the loss of his parents for a small boy and the psychological and emotional consequences which affect him throughout his life.

I shall read this book again and others by the same author, which I would probably never have done had I not been introduced to his works by the Book Club. I should point out though that my views were not shared by everyone with some readers not finishing the book at all which gave rise to an interesting meeting. HC



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The BENEFICE CHOIR

The choir is making great progress, as many of you commented after hearing the group at their last outing, the united benefice service at the end of July. They are getting better with 'age' like a good wine !

We now number just over twenty members, who are dedicated and very enthusiastic, which is great and something to be celebrated. We could do with some more men ?

They have been honoured to sing at two recent weddings in the benefice, which has contributed to over £200 to help us buy music and resource. Some thought a coach outing would have been a good idea or a night at the pub, but new music it's to be!

The choir rested over August and the new term started on Thursday 1st September.

If you would like to get involved do please let me know. We rehearse at All Saints Bawdeswell on a Thursday night at 7.30pm

We have one united service left to sing at this year at the end of October and the choir will also be singing at one of our carol services in the benefice, yet to be decided.

James Lilwall

SATURDAY 5TH NOVEMBER

is

FIREWORKS NIGHT

at

BAWDESWELL VILLAGE HALL

6pm Open the bar, light the BBQ

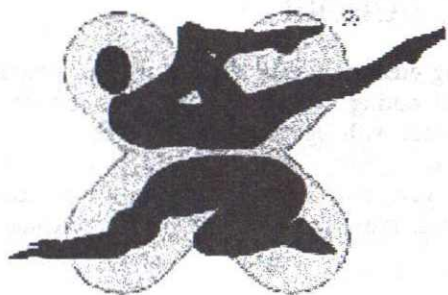
6.30pm Light the bonfire – throw on the guys*

7pm Set off the FIREWORKS

8pm Crank up the music with the DISCO and KARAOKE

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BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL – EXTRACTS OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 5th SEPTEMBER 2005 at 7.30 pm IN THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Councillor's Hind, Lilwall, Swain, Cockburn & Wallace

Mrs. I. Flooring Blackman (CC) Mr.G. Bambridge (DC) 11 parishioners

APOLOGIES: Councillor's Mallen & McColville

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: duly agreed and signed.

Chief Superintendent Alan Hayes attended the meeting to give an update on his last visit in May 2004. As there were no questions from Parishioners he gave a general view on Policing in this area explaining about ABSO'S/Dispersal Orders and other methods of modern policing. Concerns expressed about new Licensing laws coming into effect shortly which could cause problems.

PLANNING:

-Tollgate Cottage, Timber fence – indigenous hedge to be planted along boundary fence- fence to be removed when hedge established.

- Corner Cottage –timber fence – matter being discussed at Breckland.

PP granted to following:

-All Saints Court – garden shed/ Old Workhouse Paddocks – field shelter/ 21 Two Fields Way – extension/3 Chaucer Close – conservatory

- Land at Folland Court- site meeting on 19th September 11am.to discuss matter.

Deer sign now moved into correct place on Reepham Road opposite Old Workhouse Stables.

Old Workhouse Bar – application for **Premises Licence** to be heard by Breckland Council on Monday 12th September.

Details of new **Norwich Bus Station** received – to be put on Notice Boards.

Annual Return for 04/05 signed by Chairman and Clerk.

Village Fete raised profit of £1,385.32 and after paying bills of £464.89 the sum of £184.08 each was given to Bawdeswell School/Church/PCC/Pre-school and Hall.

Children's Play equipment painted bright colours – thanks given to Graham Swain for carrying out work

NCC has PA for Clay Hall Farm, **Lenwade for Composting/Rendering Plant.** Councillors Flooring Blackman and Bambridge to investigate and keep Council informed.

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY 3rd OCTOBER 2005 7.30pm. VILLAGE HALL.

BUS SERVICE: The Village Appraisal showed that Parishioners would like a bus service between Bawdeswell/Dereham and the PC are investigating the provision of such a service. At a recent meeting in Elsing Village Hall the NCC stated that any bus service provided must raise 30% of their operating costs from fares. Any bus they provide must therefore have Community support or it is withdrawn. The Bus provided on Fridays by Konect picks up very few people in Bawdeswell and if more people do not use it will undoubtedly be withdrawn and NCC would be reluctant to provide a bus on any other day. It is now up to Parishioners to show more support for a Bus Service if we are to achieve this aim.



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The meeting of the steering committee on 3 September 2005 focused on two main areas. These were the logo or brand to be used for the project and the format for the village survey.

The logo (black and white version) that has been chosen is at the top of this article and shows three features of our community. The church tower in Bawdeswell has a design unique to Norfolk, the trees represent the rural nature of the village and the house roofs the village itself. The coloured version will soon appear on the Project Bawdeswell website.

An outline format for the survey was produced by members of the steering group for discussion at this meeting and has been designed to supplement and enhance the recent village appraisal survey and to clarify some issues where there were conflicting results. It is planned to survey in three age ranges, 5 – 10 (mainly carried out through the school), 11 – 17 and adults. Some fine tuning of the survey forms will be carried out before the next meeting when the final content and layout will be agreed. The survey is much shorter than the appraisal was but is planned to be carried out on an individual basis rather than by household. Together with the results from the appraisal this survey will guide Project Bawdeswell to produce a plan for the village and will also form a core of evidence of our needs and aspirations when we start to apply for funding. The dates for the survey will be arranged once the content is agreed.

There is a web site for **Project Bawdeswell** carrying full details of our progress, minutes of the meetings etc. You can access this site from the Reeves Tale Home Page (www.thereevestale.co.uk). If you have any queries or wish to offer help, advice or donate professional services to the project please write to "The Secretary, Project Bawdeswell, c/o High Windows, Meadow Loke, Bawdeswell, NR20 4TG" or Email to PBawdeswell@aol.com. The next meeting of the **Project Bawdeswell** Steering Group, **which is open to all residents of Bawdeswell**, is in the Village Hall on Saturday October 8th at 10am.

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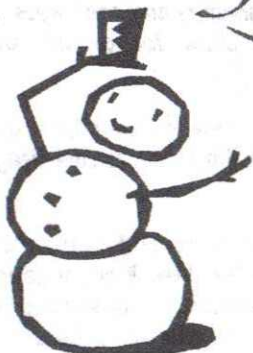
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The new 12 bay bus station will be a dramatic improvement on the old site. Each bus bay enjoys individual waiting shelters that incorporate seating, closed circuit TV, public address and automatic timetable displays.

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A copy of the bus station stand plan is on display on your parish notice board and we will be send appropriate timetables shortly. Thank you for your patience during the build, but I am sure you will agree the wait has been worthwhile.

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The BECK WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



In the absence of Aleathia and Ruth, Gill opened the meeting and Jennifer read the Minutes of the August meeting.

Our committee had 'done us proud' by getting a substitute speaker in the form of Clare Hill.

Clare is an archaeologist and lives in Sparham. She showed us slides taken in the 1960's when she spent several summers in the Lonistan area of Iran. We found she made a 'dig' sound extremely interesting, as were the slides showing foundations, parts of walls and even doorways of large houses, built around 900BC. We also got splendid views of the Zagros Mountains and gained an impression of what it felt like to climb the zig-zag paths to get to the next valley!

The Nomads, Clare and her fellow archaeologists travelled with, were very colourful and hospitable people and it was fascinating to hear stories of their way of life.

A most interesting and entertaining talk.

Janet won the raffle. Single stem flower: 1st Mary, 2nd Audrey.

The exhibition next month is a Small Foreign Object and our speaker's subject is Boadica.

Hope to see you all on 10th October, 7.30pm in the Old school Room, Sparham.

Mary Humphrey



REEPHAM & DISTRICT ROTARY

John Tym has now taken over as President of the Club. John lives with his wife Jo in Whitwell and he is a Chartered Surveyor by profession.

At hand over evening John outlined his proposals for the year. His main charity is to be Prostate Cancer Research. He is also hoping to support the Colon Cancer Research, as one of our members lost a brother recently through this disease. Hearing Dogs for the Deaf is another charity he hopes to support.

The Whitwell Hall loo and shower block has now been roofed in and is ready to be fitted out. Monies have now run out so this will probably have to now wait until next year

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ELMHAM SURGERY PATIENTS' GROUP

PRESCRIPTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT

Significant changes are being made to the working of the dispensary at Elmham Surgery. They are the outcome of several months of discussions between the doctors, practice managers and the Patient Participation Group.

The first stage of the programme was the installation of a ticket system to get rid of people standing in queues. Next, was the extension of the dispensary working hours. It is now open without a break from 8.30 in the morning of every weekday through to 6.30 in the evening (with the exception of Wednesday, when it closes an hour earlier).

This has been followed up by arrangements to speed up the process of handing over the prescriptions at the counter. Staffing has been increased to accommodate the opening of a second counter. The new system provides one counter dealing with patients wanting to pick up repeat prescriptions, the other reserved for patients needing to pick up medication which has just been prescribed in an interview with a doctor.

In addition, patients with access to a computer internet connection can now enter their request for a repeat prescription on a page available on the surgery website (address: www.elmhamsurgery.com). What you'll need is your patient number: that's on the top of the repeat prescription form.

On top of all this is the delivery service for repeat prescriptions available to patients in Bawdeswell, Guist, Bintree and Foulsham, Lyng, Swanton Morley, Gressenhall, Longham, Mileham and Whissonsett. Not to mention, of course, the dispensary that operates in the new surgery at Swanton Morley.

The efforts to improve the services provided by the Elmham practice have been much helped by the readiness of patients themselves to offer comments and suggestions. The patient participation group's next meeting will be on Thursday, October 13th in Elmham School at 7.30pm. If there's any matter you would like to raise, contact Alan MacKim (01362 668831) or Ann Adeney (01362 683380).

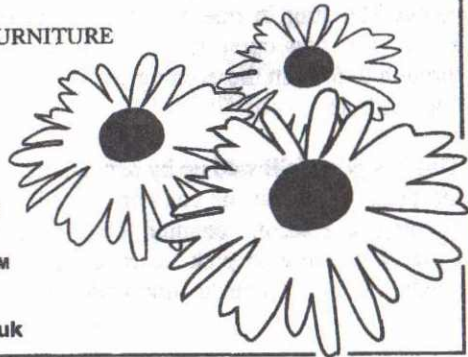
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WENSUM VALLEY BIRDWATCHING SOCIETY

The bird books describe the Bittern as a shy and retiring creature (Heron family) which is more likely to be heard than seen. While on our July field trip to Minsmere we saw the unmistakable form of a Bittern striking the classic bill-up pose rising from the reeds spying out the surroundings before taking to the air. Moments later it flew across the hide. A 'first' for many of us and the icing on the cake to an excellent day at Minsmere which also included sight of a Wood Sandpiper and a Spotted Redshank.

At our August indoor meeting guest speaker Tim Nevard gave a lively and enthusiastic presentation about the Pensthorpe Nature Reserve. He spoke about the development of Pensthorpe from the original gravel workings to the major attraction it has become. Tim spoke about the aim of the reserve of getting people nearer to nature, the captive breeding program and the plan to re-introduce the Corncrake and Common Crane to the Wensum Valley. The talk served as an appetiser for our visit to the reserve in August.

Our trip to Pensthorpe attracted thirty members and was the best attended outdoor meeting yet. There was a large range of exotic birds on display and it was interesting to see them at close range. The show stealers however were a pair of Kingfishers. They put on a dazzling display of aerodynamics and fishing above the Pensthorpe lake. Some members opted to take the Wensum Vehicle Safari in the afternoon. This was a tour of backstage Pensthorpe which explored the history of the valley back to the Ice Age and included a description of Pensthorpe's modern day conservation grade farming methods. In all an excellent day was had by all.

At our September indoor meeting guest speaker Charles Fox gave a presentation entitled 'The Gambia Experience'. It was interesting to see the lengths a dedicated birder will go to observe and photograph exotic birds. He produced pictures of birds with names that sent me diving amongst the reference books when I got home. Exotic names such as the Bee-eater, Ground Hornbill, Palm Nut Vulture, Waxwing and the Abyssinian Roller which Charles described as the 'Gem of the Gambia'. His portrayal of the conditions encountered in Gambia would not sit well in a tourist brochure but there must be something going for it, as Charles pointed out 'a hundred million mosquitoes can't be wrong'!

Our October field trip is to North Norfolk on Saturday 1st, Ray Gribble leading. Meet at Morrisons, Fakenham at 8.30 am. Bring packed lunch and warm clothing.


Our October indoor meeting is Thursday 20th at Lenwade Village Hall when guest speaker Peter Ransom will present 'Birds of Wales' Start at 7.30, non members £2. Newcomers are welcome, refreshments available.

Colin Wright [01603 - 740548] [atomic.colin@virgin.net]

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21 AUG Kyle James Crisp - happy occasions both.

The 10 o'clock fixed service time for Sundays seems to be working well. It is certainly a lot easier to remember! We have had encouraging numbers all month.

Thank you all on the flower and cleaning rotas for the work you have put in, especially those who cleared up after the electricians had finished. We have enjoyed the bright flowers, and at the time of writing are awaiting one of our annual festivals – the decoration of the church for our Harvest Thanksgiving.

The Norfolk Church's Sponsored Cycle Ride was very unlucky with the weather this year (it poured most of the day) and visitors to our church were down on previous years. Nobody cycled for Bawdeswell but thanks are due to all those who took it in turn to man the church all day to sign in the visiting riders.

The final bill for the rewiring of the church came to a staggering £16,700 which has been paid off by donations from the Friends of Bawdeswell Church, individuals, PCC funds and a loan of £6,700 which we have to repay in the next few years. Your continued support of the very professional events which the Friends run for us will help us to achieve this. Thank you for your help so far.

There is to be a Christmas Flower demonstration in the church by Nick Grounds the Wisbech Auctioneer on Friday 18th November. Full details are on page 8 of this magazine.

Starting on Sunday 20th November come to the GiG at 10 o'clock in the church – aimed at families of all ages – every third Sunday of the month. Half an hour of music, a few prayers, a thought for the day from the Rector, and coffee and biscuits.

The popular *Family Christmas Concert* is on the afternoon of *Sunday December 11th*. Our *Carol service* this year is on *Sunday 18th December* and we are hoping very much that the *Benefice Choir* will join us. So it should be a rousing occasion.



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Meeting dates for October/November

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21.10.05

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From a Quiet Day – *A Way to God for Today, July 9th 2005*

Who am I? Written and presented by *Bernadette Buxton*

I am a spark
in God's furnace of love.
tumbling, twirling
and thrusting in Him.

I am a droplet of water
in God's unending stream
of joy in His creation.

I am a breath
caught and tossed
in God's wind of eternity.

I am a reflection of God,
mirroring His purpose and plan
in the immensity
of the unknown.

I want to be the one
who listens to and
watches for His purpose.

FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Everybody, hello again.

What's on offer locally for young people? Fresh air, space, friendly faces and schools, and much more. But then.... Although these are lovely villages to live in, they're not easy to live in for those who feel stuck here. Some of our schoolchildren, especially from outlying places, have a lengthy commute to secondary school. Some of the young in our communities can feel they're missing out.

Some new things, then.

- There will be a new Countrysiders (Young Farmers') club for 10-14s beginning in Bawdeswell, and the Rock Solid 10-14s club is moving to Lyng. Both clubs will be on alternate Wednesdays. Young people can come to both.
- The "Gig" church service at Bawdeswell starts next month. It will be short, snappy, and have more variety, with opportunity for younger people to participate and lead.
- I'm not good with txt msgs, but I'd like anybody of any age, but especially the young, to email me their address so that I can start a contact group to send everyone a "Spiritual Thought for the Week". Email me at davidhead@beeb.net. You may be surprised by the thoughts I send.

For all of us, it's important to love the place we're in, to feel at home. Some of us may never want to leave. But there's always room for more activities; those who've run youth clubs in the past have found it difficult to find helpers. There's a group in Bawdeswell wants to start up a club for younger children, another group trying to get started in Lyng, (neither of them church-based.) Anyone interested?

God bless you in your community life

David Head

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FOXLEY	EP 6.30pm CW	HC(1) 1030 DH	MP 1030 CW	HC(PB) 0900 TC	-	Words & Praise 1030 DH/TC
LYNG	HC(2) 0900 TC hf 6.30pm DH	EP 6.30pm TC	HC(1) 0900 DH	Words & Praise 1030 FST	-	-
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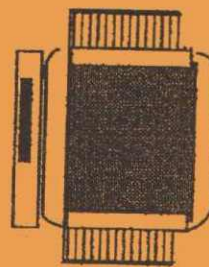
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