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## NOTICE BOARD

### The Reeve's Tale

David Cockburn is standing down this month as one of the two editors of the village magazine, though he will still be contributing on behalf of the Village Cinema and Bawdeswell Activities Group. Many thanks, David, for your help with the magazine in recent years. You have contributed a great deal to its development and success.

The Reeve's Tale is always oversubscribed with articles and it is a difficult decision to decide which contributions take priority. Somebody is always disappointed or cross. The magazine is restricted in size and a solution is for it to spill over on to the Internet, as it did last month. So keep the contributions coming in to [magazine@bawdeswell.net](mailto:magazine@bawdeswell.net) and they will all appear in the printed magazine and/or online at [www.thereevestale.co.uk](http://www.thereevestale.co.uk) .

*Robin Taylor, Editor*

### Cheaper heating oil.

I would like to see if anybody is interested in joining **Bawdeswell Oil Boilers (BOB)**. Oil at the moment is at its highest price and keeping warm is most important. To get the best discount requires an order of about 10,000 litres, that is just 20 households ordering 500 litres, meaning you can make more affordable smaller orders throughout the year rather than heart stopping larger orders at the same price of those ordering with bulk discount.

I am not sure what way to go from here? People who express an interest to register on a web site, but then there are neighbours who don't have access to computers.

I have been doing this for some time now gaining larger discounts for those with smaller orders but only getting the smaller discounts for up to 3000 litres due to the small amount of people in our road

*Rob Madden* 01603 873829 Ext 2329

**A recent email** from a Military Historian enquiring about a war grave in Bawdeswell cemetery:

“Is there some kind member of the Church Friends who could obtain a photo for me of the headstone of 10583812 Private George Parke, the son of Herbert and Martha Parke of Bawdeswell..

George died here in Pembrokeshire South Wales on the 31st May 1943, I have the full details.”

*A photo was sent and the following reply received:*

“G.H. Parke; RAOC aged 20 died 31 May 1943. Son of Herbert and Martha Parke of Bawdeswell.

After repeated warnings Parke failed to keep to the correct path on a firing range near Tenby, killed instantly by an explosion. He was attached at the time of his death to the R.E.M.E. and had been a butcher's assistant living at Norwich Rd Bawdeswell East Dereham.”

## APRIL EVENTS DIARY

Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Church Friends Quarterly Draw and Coffee, 1030 Bawdeswell Badgers Easter Bingo 7pm Bawdeswell Village Hall
Tue 5 <sup>th</sup>	Flower Arranging class 2pm Bawdeswell Village Hall
Thu 7 <sup>th</sup>	Book Club meets at the Old Workhouse Bar 7.30pm
Sat 9 <sup>th</sup>	Bawdeswell Cinema “The King's Speech” 7pm for 7.30pm
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup>	BAG Café open in Bawdeswell Village Hall 2-4pm Beck WI meet at Sparham Old Schoolroom 7.30pm
Tue 12 <sup>th</sup>	BAG Café open in Bawdeswell Village Hall 2-4pm Illustrated Talk about Ely Cathedral by Malcolm Bradbury, Lyng Village Hall 7.30pm
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup>	Craft Afternoon, all ages, 2-4pm Bawdeswell Village Hall BAG Café open
Thu 14 <sup>th</sup>	Ladies Craft Group 2pm Bawdeswell Village hall
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup>	Prize Bingo & Raffle 7.30pm Foxley Village Hall
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup>	BAG Café open in Bawdeswell Village Hall 2-4pm Bawdeswell Village Hall Committee Meeting 7.30pm
Tue 19 <sup>th</sup>	Flower Arranging class 2pm Bawdeswell Village Hall
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee Morning, Foxley Village Hall 10.30am Easter Egg Hunt at Bawdeswell Village Hall 10am – 2pm Disco Bawdeswell Village Hall 5pm
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Good Friday walks from Sparham & Elsing to Lyng 3pm
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup>	EASTER SUNDAY details of all the services in the area are on page 36
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup>	Charity Walk/Run in Sennowe Parke <i>see page 31</i>
Thu 28 <sup>th</sup>	Ladies Craft Group 2pm Bawdeswell Village hall
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup>	Royal Wedding Party 10am at the Old workhouse bar Disco at Bawdeswell Village hall 5.30pm

### Foxley Village Hall – regular events

Exercise Classes  
Short Mat Bowls  
Bridge  
Table Tennis

Every Tuesday morning at 9.30am.  
Every Monday & Friday Evening  
Tuesday evening 7.15pm  
Wednesday evening.

### Bawdeswell Village Hall - regular events

\*Parish Council  
\*Village Hall Committee  
\*Table Tennis  
Countrysiders  
WeightWatchers  
Running Club  
Little Monkeys (Parent & Toddler Group)  
JayCee Bridge Club  
Pilates  
Seekers  
\*Village Cinema Matinee  
\*Village Cinema  
\*Film Club

Normally 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of Month (not Jan or Aug)  
Normally 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of Month  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of month  
Every other Wednesday in term time  
Thursdays 6.15pm  
Thursdays 8pm  
Fridays 9.15am  
Fridays 2.15pm  
Fridays 7pm  
1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of month  
Some Months on Saturday 3pm  
Monthly on a Saturday 7pm  
Monthly on a Sunday 2.30pm

*\*Check ad or article in magazine for dates this month*



## COFFEE MORNING

FOXLEY VILLAGE HALL

WED 20 APRIL at 10.30am

HOT CROSS BUNS,

MARDLE & RAFFLE



### Prize Bingo and Raffle

starting at 7.30 on Saturday 16th April

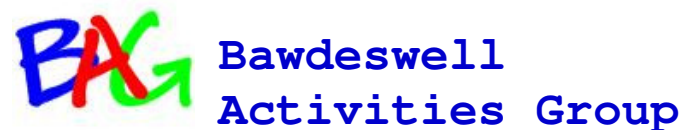
**Foxley Village Hall** to raise funds for the *Bintree Bowls Club*.

The club plays at the Bawdeswell Bowls Green behind the Village Hall.

New season starts in May

New members wanted - come along to a roll-up Wednesday evenings at 7 starting 27th April and have a go - we're a small friendly club, playing in 3 bowls leagues, as well as playing bowls socially.

**Friends of Bawdeswell School** are holding an **Auction of Promises on May 14th** 2011 at **Bawdeswell Village Hall** with a light supper. If any one can offer a promise of any description can they please contact me on 01362 688098. Any promise would be very gratefully received but if not please keep the date free to attend hopefully a great evening. *Debbie Lilwall*



### Easter Break at the Hall

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April - craft afternoon - all ages 2pm – 4pm

If the weather is fine on the following days the Hall & BAG Café will be open for use by visitors to the play area.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2pm to 4pm

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2pm to 4pm

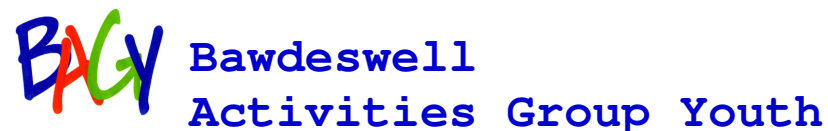
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2pm to 4pm

### Table Tennis – fun evenings - Mondays 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> April

If anyone is interested in taking up playing table tennis, do come along and join us. Cost - **£1.50 adult or 75p under 18** towards the hire of the hall. If there is enough interest there may be weekly sessions later this year. Please contact Janet on (01362) 688749 for more information.

### Running Club

The Running Club are still meeting in the village hall! Circuit training 8-9pm Thursdays - anyone is welcome, only £2 and all profit goes to the NEW HALL FUND. We still run at weekends and will resume weekday runs as the weather improves. Contact Fel on 07957254503 for more information.



**BAGY breakfasts** were a great success in 2010 and raised £80 for the continued development of the play area. The next date is **8<sup>th</sup> May** and more will be planned in 2011.

***The best Full English, Sunday papers, waitress service... only £5 per person.  
Call Fel on 01362 688876 or 07957254503 to book your place.***

**BAGY** needs extra helpers... to help organise and run some of the BAG activities in the school holidays. You need to be aged between 11 and 18 and have lots of energy! Please contact Fel Roberts 07957254503 for more information

## BAWDESWELL LADIES CRAFT GROUP

WE CONTINUE TO MEET ON THE 2ND AND 4TH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE VILLAGE HALL FROM 2.00 UNTIL 4.30 PM. EVERYONE IS WELCOME. BRING ALONG YOUR OWN WORK OR JUST COME FOR A CUP OF TEA AND A NATTER.

THE NEXT MEETINGS WILL BE ON THURSDAYS 14<sup>TH</sup> (PORTAKABIN) & 28<sup>TH</sup> (MAIN HALL) APRIL. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU. THE CHARGE IS ONLY £1.

ENQUIRIES: MARIETTA MENZIES 01362 688 400



## BAWDESWELL LITTLE MONKEYS



We are the Parent, Baby & Toddler group for the local area, run for and by the parents. Come along for a chat and a coffee - and let your "Little Monkey" have a play with the toys and activities, and interact with other children from the local area

**Venue:** Bawdeswell Village Hall, 9:15 -11:30 every Friday during term time  
Subs: £2.00 for your first monkey, £0.50 per additional monkey (includes snack, drink, & teas/coffees for the troop leader)

For more information call:

Jo (Mum to Thomas, Oliver & Charlie) on 688088

Karen (Mum to Soli, Maddie & Katie) on 688939



### BAWDESWELL FILM CLUB MEETINGS

The next meetings= of the Bawdeswell Film Club will be on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April at 2.30pm. There is a meeting every month on the Sunday following the Village Cinema presentation. The club is open to all residents of Bawdeswell and surrounding villages.

No need to book, just turn up with a favourite DVD or two and we will choose one to view. There is no charge for entry and there will be a Café/Bar.

If you would like to join or help with this club or for further information please contact David on (01362) 688749.



## PRESENTS

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April- doors open 3pm

FREE Children's Matinee - see poster in hall

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Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April - doors open 7pm

### The King's Speech



The story of the man who became King George VI, the father of Queen Elizabeth II. After his brother abdicates, George ('Bertie') reluctantly assumes the throne. Plagued by a dreaded stammer and considered unfit to be king, Bertie engages the help of an unorthodox speech therapist named Lionel Logue. Through a set of unexpected techniques, and as a result of an unlikely friendship, Bertie is able to find his voice and lead the country through war.

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Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June - doors open 7pm

### Made in Dagenham



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Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July - doors open 7pm

### Free Entry Film - see poster in hall



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Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August - doors open 7pm

### The Social Network



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ALL AT BAWDESWELL VILLAGE HALL - FILM STARTS 30 MINS AFTER TIME SHOWN ABOVE

NORMAL PRICES £3.50 ADULTS, £2.50 U18, FAMILY OF 4 £10

THE BAR/CAFE WILL BE OPEN FOR REFRESHMENTS

CALL 01362 688749 FOR MORE INFORMATION OR

SEE OUR WEB SITE AT [HTTP://EOE.XARG.CO.UK/BAG/](http://EOE.XARG.CO.UK/BAG/)

We regret that, due to other commitments & hall bookings, there will be no film in May

# Royal Wedding Day 29th April



*Wedding Hat & Champagne Party 10am at The Old Workhouse Bar*

*Join in the Celebrations*

**Come wearing your favourite hat,  
watch the guests arrive & the wedding**

**A coffee morning with a difference**



*The Old Workhouse Bar is hosting a Family Disco & BBQ  
at*

*Bawdeswell Village Hall from 5.30pm*

**Licensed Bar**

**Raffle**

**Tickets - £2 Adult, 50p Child**

Tickets available from – The Old Workhouse Bar,  
Claire (688415) & Janet (688749)

**Profits from ticket sales and raffle will go to the new hall fund.**

# Bawdeswell Bygones Day

## Sunday 8th May

**8.30 - 11.30 BAGY Family Breakfast.**

*The best Full English, Sunday papers, waitress service...  
only £5 per person. Children under 5 free.*



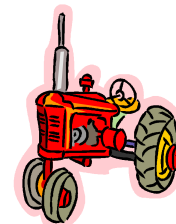
*All profits to the play area.*

*Call Fel on 01362 688876 or  
07957254503 to book your place.*

**Tractor Run - Village Hall at 10am** - returning around 4pm

*See lots of different types of tractors and trailers  
from yesteryear.*

*Call Tony Hood for further information on 688218*



**1pm - 4pm Memories of Bawdeswell and Foxley**



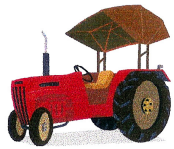
- *Bring your own photos and memorabilia*
- *Swap stories*

- *Listen to local parishioners*
- *See our collection of historical memories.*

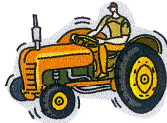
*More contributions wanted, everything welcome, especially  
anything from Foxley. All profits to the new hall fund  
For further information call Jackie on 01362 688956  
or Fel 07957 254503*



# Tractor Road Run



Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May  
10am



FROM BAWDESWELL VILLAGE HALL THROUGH COUNTRY LANES TO THE BRISLEY BELL FOR LUNCH STOP (LUNCH PROVIDED) THEN BACK TO BAWDESWELL VIA BEETLEY, GRESSENHALL AND GORGATE ESTATE.

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AVAILABLE AT 8.30-9AM – MUST BE PRE-BOOKED/PAID. AFTERNOON TEA  
AND REFRESHMENTS WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

AN ENTRY FORM AND FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED  
FROM  
TONY HOOD, 10 NORWICH ROAD, BAWDESWELL, NR20 4RZ.  
TEL. 01362 688218  
LAST ENTRIES 1<sup>ST</sup> MAY



Telephone - 01362 688875  
Charity No: 1022356

Bawdeswell Badgers Pre-School, Age 2- School,  
Opening Times 8.45am - 3pm.

Our upcoming events for April 2011 are:-

- 2<sup>nd</sup> April Easter Bingo - Village Hall - 7pm - 10pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> April cake stall in school playground from 3pm
- 20<sup>th</sup> April Easter egg hunt - Village Hall - 10am - 2pm
- 20<sup>th</sup> April Easter Disco - Village Hall - 5pm - 9.30pm

For further details please contact  
Katherine on 688256 or Teresa on 07799662141



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## BAWDESWELL BOOK CLUB

For our meeting at the beginning of March we read Eat, Pray Love, by Elizabeth Gilbert. It seemed a good idea at the time as the film was being shown in the Village Hall and seeing the film could act as a media comparison in our discussions, we thought. The conclusion we came to was that neither the book nor the film were worth the time spent on them! Perhaps we are too old and cynical. The New York writer Elizabeth Gilbert who had been fairly successful by the time she was 30 found her life unhappy, she needed more self-fulfilment so took herself off to 3 countries beginning with the letter "I" – Italy, India and Indonesia – "I" being what the journey was all about when it wasn't about "me". Her publisher stumped up the funding for the trip on the condition she wrote about it and as, reportedly, six million people have read the book and the film rights were sold, that was a very good investment. Our group felt miffed at having helped finance her year's holiday, although to be fair in our case the funding was by Norfolk County Council Library Service who can ill afford to squander their funds at the moment. To be fair there were some interesting parts to the book; she struggled and eventually succeeded to empty her mind to meditate in India and experienced some enlightenment. From the Bali section we learned something of that island's history and culture. The reader gained more insight from the book but there was not enough plot or action for the film to make much of those sections, however, the food and scenery in Italy were good to see, which added to the book's account of the 4 months spent there. Book Club members' partners taken to see the film were not keen to read the book or complimentary about the film either. On the whole, though, it was felt that we had read a couple of worse books. MM  
*The Book Club meets in the Workhouse Bar on the first Thursday of every month at 7.30 pm. New members are always welcome. We mostly obtain books from the library so there is not the expense of buying new books each month. We are reading Our Man in Havana by Graham Green, for discussion at our meeting on 7 April. A black and white version of the film is going to be shown in the Village Hall on the 12 March at 3 pm. At our meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> May we will be discussing The Testament of Gideon Mack by James Robertson.*

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Flower Arranging Classes 2pm  
Bawdeswell village hall  
Tuesdays April 5<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> .  
Sue Lilwall 688240

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**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 4pm** All Saints Church, Bawdeswell

### *Craig Ogden - guitar*

Australian born guitarist Craig Ogden is one of the world's finest classical guitarists, with a laid back, effortless, naturally brilliant approach to playing guitar. He released his debut solo album for Classic FM, 'The Guitarist' last summer and it went straight to number one. Craig Ogden studied guitar from the age of seven and percussion from the age of thirteen and in 2004 he was honoured by the Royal Northern College of Music with a Fellowship in recognition of his achievements. He is the youngest instrumentalist to have received this award from the RNCM. He regularly appears as soloist and chamber musician at the major London venues including the Queen Elizabeth Hall, Wigmore Hall and the Barbican and collaborates regularly with many of the UK's top artists and ensembles. Craig Ogden is Principal Lecturer in Guitar at the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester.

### *Travis Finch – mandolin*

Originally from The United States, Travis Finch completed his Bmus studies at Trinity College during 2010. He was under the instruction of Alison Stephens until her untimely death in 2010. He has participated in Master Classes with Israeli mandolinist Alon Sariel and Dutch mandolinist Sebastiaan De Grebber. Since his arrival in the UK in 2006 he has performed in venues around London and the Southeast. Recent highlights include a performance at the Barbican and a broadcast on BBC Radio 3 with the Guildhall New Music ensemble in Total Immersion: George Crumb.

**Tickets £10 including refreshments from:**

James Lilwall,

Church View, The Street, Bawdeswell, Dereham, Norfolk NR20 4RT

Tel: 01362 688499

COFFEE MORNING & QUARTERLY DRAW  
SATURDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> APRIL 10.30am in the church.



## Bawdeswell Village Hall

Bawdeswell Village hall can be hired by parishioners and non residents. You can also hire tables and chairs for your own events. Regular activities at the hall include Table tennis on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month, Countryside Rangers every other Wednesday, Weight Watchers on Thursday evenings and Pilates on Friday evenings. The Parent & Toddler group meet on Friday mornings 9.30 to 11.30 and a bridge for fun club on Friday afternoons. Seekers meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday morning each month.



### Hire Charges are under review

Period	(1) Standard Hire Charge	(2) Parishioners other than in (3)	(3) Parishioners - Hires ending by 5pm on Weekdays #
Minimum (2 hrs)	£16	£15	£10
4 Hours	£30	£25	£15
6 Hours	£45	£35	£25
8 Hours	£50	£40	£30
10 Hours	£60	£45	n/a
12 Hours	£70	£50	n/a
Full Day	£85	£60	n/a

# Excludes Bank & Public Holidays. Other hours charged pro rata.

We now have a licence for the sale of alcohol and hirers can take advantage of this for a fee of £15 subject to approval by the Village Hall Committee.

*Don't forget we have a 4 hour birthday special for children up to their 11<sup>th</sup> birthday  
£15 on weekdays and £20 at weekends*

**The new portakabin is now available for hire (at 50% of the hall fees) and various meetings will transfer there from the main hall.**

For availability, more details and a booking form please contact the booking clerk:- David Cockburn, Tel: (01362) 688749, Mobile: 07778 835 254,  
Email: [BawdeswellVH@aol.com](mailto:BawdeswellVH@aol.com)

**Please note that these contact details will be changing in the near future**

See also our website at – <http://www.eastinvolve.net/bawdeswellvillagehall/>

**Village Hall Committee Meetings are held on The 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month.**

**If you would like to help run the hall, please come along to the meeting.**

## Volunteer Caretaker for Bawdeswell Village Hall

Bawdeswell Village Hall needs a volunteer caretaker(s) to look after the general running of the hall. If you have a few hours free time each week we would love to hear from you. This is an unpaid position although any out of pocket expenses would be reimbursed. The job includes keeping an eye on security, ensuring that the cleaning provision is adequate, that tables/chairs crockery etc have been put away properly, obtaining janitorial supplies for the hall etc and dealing with hirers problems or queries about the facilities.

You would be a part of the Village Hall Committee and attend our monthly meeting to report on any issues.

If you are interested please contact Jayne on 688388 or David on 688749 for further information or email [BawdeswellVH@aol.com](mailto:BawdeswellVH@aol.com)

## Event Organisers for Bawdeswell Village Hall

Our village hall is a facility maintained for the Community and to ensure that it is economically viable and to allow us to put money towards the planned extension/rebuild we would like more bookings.

We have opportunities for events to be organised and run on a regular weekly basis during the day on Monday to Thursday and on Tuesday Evenings. Possible activities could be 'Keep Fit', Aerobics, 'Line Dancing' etc. Would you like to run a regular activity or do you know someone who would?

With the introduction of our portable building for meetings, there is now also an opportunity to increase the Monday Table Tennis evenings to weekly but we would like someone to help run it.

If you are interested please contact David on 688749 for more information or email [BawdeswellVH@aol.com](mailto:BawdeswellVH@aol.com)

## **BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Digest of Meeting on 7<sup>TH</sup> March 2011**

**Present:** Councillors Shannon, Mason, Beane, Lilwall, Kirby, Mr G Bambridge (District Councillor), Mrs Boer and one parishioner.

### **Ongoing issues from previous meetings**

**Adams Pit:** The Parish Council had been successful in obtaining a 'Your Partnership, Your Decision' Safer and Stronger Communities grant of £1,225. Following a meeting with the NCC ecologist, a draft Business Plan for phase 3 with works involving a cost of £2,086 out of funds available to the Trustees of £4,156 was agreed subject to some fine tuning in the light of Mr Stocker's advice.

**Possible Provision of Allotments:** The Chairman had explored further options, including meeting a representative of Reepham allotment holders to investigate the potential availability of allotments in Reepham to Bawdeswell residents. The Chairman will arrange to meet the chairman of BALGA to discuss the options as the PC currently see them.

**Parish Council Elections:** Key dates are that nominations close on 4<sup>th</sup> April and Polling Day is 5<sup>th</sup> May. The Annual Parish Council Meeting (the first meeting of the newly-elected Council) was arranged for Monday 16 May 2011 at 19:45, to be followed by the May Parish Council Meeting. The Clerk will arrange to distribute publicity to encourage residents to stand via the school, Post Office and Village Hall.

**Project Bawdeswell:** There is to be another open meeting on 29 March in the Village Hall. The project is now looking at developing community-based fund-raising for the new hall, in addition to the buy-a-brick campaign. It is hoped to be able to put forward a planning application by June.

**Highways:** The Community Rangers will be in this area in the week commencing 4 April and can be asked to attend to minor highway maintenance – please contact the Clerk.

### **Any Other Business of Interest to Parishioners**

**Arrangements for 2011 Annual Parish Meeting:** To be held on Tuesday 10 May at 18:30. Format to be the same as in 2010 with slots for County Councillor, District Councillor, Chairman of PC and school head. All local organisations are to be invited. Tea and biscuits will be provided and a cash bar is to be open.

**Police in Dereham** are advising **off-road motorcyclists** to act responsibly or face having their bikes seized.

The warning comes after two bikes were recently confiscated. A pit bike was seized by officers on Thursday 3 March in Hall Road, Dereham. Another biker had already received a Section 59 warning, the second warning meant having the bike seized on Saturday 5 March. An off-road vehicle can be automatically seized, if individuals are caught riding in a public right of way or a highway.

## **FOXLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THE 17TH OF FEBRUARY 2011 AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

Present Councillors Harvey JH (Chairman), Mears NM (Vice-Chairman) Barrett DB, Hatch NH, E Buck (Clerk) and 3 parishioners.

**Apologies** Mansfield JM, Mr B Borrett (County Councillor) and Mr G Bambridge (District Councillor)

**Minutes of last meeting** The minutes of the last Parish Council meeting held on the 16th of December were agreed and signed.

**Declarations of Interest** The Clerk expressed the interest of the Land Registry being of importance to the village. Will be on Agenda in May.

### **Matters Arising not Covered Elsewhere on Agenda**

#### **Highways**

The purchase of a grit bin has been put on hold for the time being, as Highways has not agreed to the positioning of where the Parish Council had wanted to place it. An alternative suggestion has been made and the Clerk will contact Highways to find out if this would be acceptable.

The Chairman JH raised concerns of the state of the roads. The Old Fakenham Road corner with it's continuing mound of rotten leaves is making the road very dangerous. A request for sweeping, from the adjacent parishioner was made 5 weeks ago.

The main road being littered with cardboard and plastic hanging in trees.

Clerk to contact Serco.

The Vice-Chairman NM raised concerns about The Street. The road being littered with manure and straw causing the road to be dangerous especially for bikers and anyone who does not know the road.

Also potholes in Chapel Road East Foxley, are in need of attention.

Clerk to contact Highways

#### **Correspondence**

#### **Bawdeswell playground project**

It was decided that a donation of £1000 would be given to the project, but that it would be given in two installments as this would be more favourable. Only one councillor had received feedback and he said most people felt that the Council was being too generous with their money, especially with the size of the donation in one lump sum. The Chairman reminded councillors that, after a kind offer of land some years ago, we were put off the idea of our own Play Area by the huge cost of equipping and maintaining it.

With many Foxley children using the Bawdeswell facility, it is right to contribute.

All Councillors agreed with the suggestion of two installments for such a good project.

1. May 2011 £500.00

2. May 2012 £500.00

DB proposed and was seconded by JH.

#### **Insurance**

Clerk to contact village hall committee to advise on having their own insurance.

Clerk to proceed with quotes for new insurance provider.

#### **Village Sign**

A quote of £2500 has been received by the Clerk and it was agreed that this was expensive, being almost a year's budget at one go!

Clerk also received an email from a parishioner willing to make a kind donation towards the sign.

Clerk and DB to investigate further for more options.

### Notice Boards

NM has agreed to make the notice boards more user friendly.

### Finance

Summary of accounts-The financial report was present and signed.

Approved payments

Clerks expenses approved cheque no :100323 £12.55p

Clerks and Vice-Chairman Training cheque no : 100322 £70.00

### Village Matters

#### **Neighbourhood watch scheme**

The Clerk has received a letter from Franz Gladwell tendering his resignation as co-ordinator of the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. A letter will be sent to Mr Gladwell thanking him for the support he has given the Parish.

NM to collect Homewatch Sign from Mr Gladwell.

#### **Dog Litter Bins**

It was agreed that Foxley needed Dog Litter Bins, due to the increase of dog walkers from surrounding areas.

Clerk to find out cost and update at next meeting.

#### **Community Car Scheme**

Clerk was asked to read out Bawdeswell's Annual Report on the car scheme. This will be placed also in the Reeve's Tale, hoping this might attract much needed drivers from Foxley, where many residents use this splendid service, but only one volunteer driver is to be found.

#### **Date of Next Parish Meeting**

Annual Parish Meeting, Annual Parish Council Meeting and first Parish Council Meeting of new year will be held on Thursday 12th May 2011 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Contact Details for the Parish Clerk- Emma Buck

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For further information please contact Paul Digby on (01362) 688615

## BAWDESWELL FOOTBALL CLUB

The club plays in the 3<sup>rd</sup> division of the Crown Fire Central and South Norfolk League and Home games are played at Bawdeswell Recreation Ground.

Information from Philip Duffield on (01362) 688611.

For information about matches see

<http://www.csnleague.co.uk/index.html> or <http://bawdeswellfc.co.uk/default.aspx>



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After being introduced to members at our March meeting, our guest speaker, Joyce Knock, certainly held our interest as she recounted her thoughts and memories of her days as a milkmaid. Her older relatives had spent several years in India but Joyce well remembers life with her parents on a farm in Scarning.

Being on a farm meant lots of hard work and in her early teens she was responsible for delivering milk 7 days a week – not from a motorised vehicle but with a pony and float. She did this in all weathers, serving approximately 100 customers each day, in addition to working in the dairy and farmhouse.

She told us of some amusing and some really frightening experiences while out with the milk float. A truly interesting and enjoyable talk.

After our tea/coffee break Joyce judged the exhibition (milk jug). Chris, our new member, was 1<sup>st</sup> with Jennifer 2<sup>nd</sup>. Margaret won the raffle. Aleathia told us of forthcoming events and Christine read last month's minutes.

Next month – 11<sup>th</sup> April – we have May Savidge talking to us on Moving an Old Hall House. The exhibition is a Collected Item.

Look forward to seeing you all - Sparham's Old School Room at 7.30 p.m.

*Mary Humphrey*

#### AUDREY TAYLOR

On Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2011, Sparham Church overflowed with family and friends attending the funeral of Audrey Taylor.

Audrey was a very kind person, a member of Beck W.I. for many years, a supporter of the church and all village activities especially with her delicious cakes.

It was a wonderful farewell to a lovely person who will be so sadly missed.

*Gill Page*

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Bawdeswell had a Smockmill, a type of windmill that consists of a sloping, weatherboarded tower, usually with six or eight sides. It is topped with a roof or cap that rotates to bring the sails into the wind. This type of windmill got its name from its resemblance to smocks worn by farmers in an earlier period.



Bawdeswell Smockmill stood on the former Bawdeswell Common, to the south side of the Billingford Road, near its junction with the present A1067, and was built c.1753 along with a bakehouse. Two pairs of common sails with 24 feet of cloth per sail powered 2 pairs of 4ft French burr stones and a flour mill. The Mill became part of the Evans Lombe Estate (Bylaugh Hall) and when it became uneconomical or disused in 1852 its demolition was ordered.



From 1836 the miller was William Elvin. It appears that he built a red brick towermill nearby at Foxley in 1845, but still lived at Bawdeswell Mill House. He is thus given in directories as at Bawdeswell till 1858. He is said to have made his way to Foxley Mill each day across the fields.

Foxley towermill lay to the southwest of the village (Mill Lane today) and was five storeys high, with a date stone being placed above the door. Four patent sails were used to power 2 pairs of French burr stones and a flour mill although the mill was advertised as being capable of driving a third pair of stones if they were installed. In 1899 the mill machinery was dismantled and many years later was reduced to three stories with a flat roof, as it stands today.

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## Wensum Valley Birdwatching Society

I often receive calls from readers debating if they should come along to one of our events (I know you are out there!). Such was the case when Natalie phoned about the Wensum Valley walk and decided to join us for the day. I asked her if she would write a few words on her impressions of the event. This is what she said about the Wensum Valley Birdwatching Society:-

“Thinking about going on a fieldtrip or joining an evening event? Not done it yet, because you are not sure what it will be like? There's nothing to worry about. Having just been on my first fieldtrip, rest assured: they are a friendly bunch! I felt very welcome and was lent a pair of binoculars straight away. The people were very knowledgeable but we also had a really good laugh! This group is for anyone, whether you are a super-keen birder or a novice who would just like to find out more, give it a try! I will certainly be back. Natalie K.” – I couldn't have put it better myself.

Natalie was talking about our **Outdoor meeting**: Wensum Valley Walks – Part Three. Continuing this popular theme we descended on Costessey which, although close to Norwich, has a wide range of habitats easily accessible from Marriot's Way which, I am old enough to remember, used to be the steam railway track into Norwich. Starting from Shallowbrook Lakes we did a circular walk which took in the rivers Tud and Wensum. Over 50 species seen including Siskins, Redpoll, Snipe, fleeting glances of Kingfishers along the Wensum and a Grey Wagtail perching on a branch on the Tud. Not a walk for the faint hearted but at least I managed to get a few pictures for the album of members gingerly negotiating a barbed wire style. An excellent day out led by local naturalist Andrew Brown.

**Dates for April**: Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> is our AGM followed by a talk by **The British Trust for Ornithology** on their Nest Record scheme, starting at 7.30 pm at Weston Longville Village Hall. Outdoor visit is to the BTO. Over the years we have had several speakers from the BTO and now it's our turn to visit them at their HQ in Thetford on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April.

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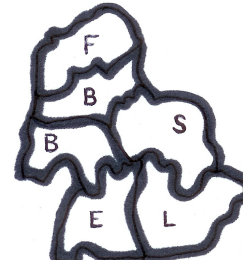


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## Benefice News and Events



The third session for Intercession Training will be held on April 6<sup>th</sup> in Bawdeswell church from 10am-12 noon. Anyone who feels they would like to lead the Intercessions at a Eucharistic service is welcome to attend.

22<sup>nd</sup> April - There will be two Good Friday walks this year both starting at 3pm and finishing at the Rectory where there will be tea and hot cross buns. One walk will start from Elsing Church and will be a silent walk with stops for prayers. The second walk will be from Sparham Church and on this one you may talk as you go along. First group to reach the Rectory puts the kettle on! All welcome from those in pushchairs onwards.

Events for April:

2<sup>nd</sup> Friends of Bawdeswell Church 100 Club draw and coffee in the church 10.30am

2<sup>nd</sup> Sparham Bazaar Old School Room

12<sup>th</sup> Illustrated talk by Peter Bradbury on Ely Cathedral Lyng village hall 7.30pm

16<sup>th</sup> Intercession training Bawdeswell Church 10-12

### Children's Summer Club

We plan to run a Summer Club this year from 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> August at Sparham Church. 10am to 12 noon.

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More details to follow in the coming weeks.

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*Gus and Fred*

## Letter from the Rector

Dear Everybody, hello again.

The earthquakes, the tsunamis and the nuclear problems in Japan have been frightening. I found myself reacting to the three kinds of disasters in different ways.

In the earthquake, the buildings, people and objects were shaken about. Office workers cowered under desks, or tried to protect their work stations, or left the buildings. The threat of aftershocks made people stay in the open. The greatest danger is from things falling on you, and areas of damage and safety can be quite close together.

Tsunamis are different. The power of the waves swept away everything in their path. A metres tall wall of water and wreckage spilled across the agricultural floor of Japan. The only safety was in being somewhere really high, or escaping the area. It's a battle you can't win.

And radiation is a battle you can't see. Part of the human reaction to threats to nuclear plants is to say: do away with them, regulate, make them safer: we can decide. We can't stop earthquakes or tsunamis, we can do something about nuclear proliferation. But the frightening thing about radiation is its longevity. Earthquakes lasting even a few minutes are unusually long. The tsunamis lasted a few hours. Radiation lingers.

In the face of the death of tens of thousands crushed or drowned or eventually diseased, the woes of this nation seem small by comparison. The rebuilding work in Japan will be colossal. Yet the woes of each place represent disasters on different scales to a number of individuals.

Easter is for Christians the story of the disaster that happened to one person and his group of friends, and how a much greater good came out of it. It has inspired many people to do good things for others, and to seek to bring hope where everything has been swept away.

All of us can put energy into helping others who have lost everything, and those for whom the world is unsteady, overwhelmed, or poisoned.

God bless you this Easter      David Head

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**April Services**

Date	03/04	10/04	17/04	24/04
<b>Season</b>	<b>4th Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday</b>	<b>5th Sunday of Lent</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>	<b>Easter Day</b>
<b>Foxley</b>	18.30 EP <b>DH</b>		8.00 HC PB <b>DH</b>	10.30 HC <b>TC</b>
<b>Lyng</b>	9.00 HC 1 <b>DH</b>			8.45 HC <b>DH</b>
<b>Elsing</b>	10.30 Mothering Sunday service	10.30 OMS <b>DH</b>	9.00 HC1 <b>DH</b>	10.00 HC <b>DH</b>
<b>Bawdeswell</b>	10.30 HC <b>DH</b>		10.30 WP <b>CW</b>	10.30 GiG <b>GiG Team</b>
<b>Bylaugh</b>		9.00 HC PB <b>DH</b>		9.00 HC <b>TC</b>
<b>Sparham</b>	10.30 <b>OASIS</b>		10.30 HC PB <b>DH</b>	11.15 HC <b>DH</b>

**Deanery Lent Evensong**

**3<sup>rd</sup> April** St Margaret Swannington Revd D Head:

*Jesus with Simon of Cyrene and is crucified*

**10<sup>th</sup> April** All Saints Stibbard Rt Revd Graham James, Bishop of Norwich:

*Jesus speaks to the penitent thief and to his mother*

**17<sup>th</sup> April** St Mary Bylaugh Rt Revd Tony Footitt: *Jesus dies and is buried*

**Holy Week Services**

**Maundy Thursday** – Lyng 1930 Holy Communion

**Good Friday** – Sparham 1030 United Liturgy

**Easter Eve** – Bawdeswell 2100 Holy Communion