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NOTICE BOARD

A message from Doris Ball. I wish to thank all my friends who visited me while I was in Cranmer House and for the kind cards, flowers and gifts. The phone calls were particularly appreciated as daily contact made the time go quickly.
Thanks to all, *Doris Ball*.

New Number for the Police - 101

The police have launched a new national non-emergency telephone number **101**. This number is for those occasions which are not an emergency and will replace the present 0845 456 4567 in Norfolk. The new number is *free* from landline phones and 15p/min from mobiles. According to Norfolk Police HQ it is working now.

You will still need to telephone 999 for emergencies and for the Ambulance and Fire Services.

Snow & Ice Clearing

Don't forget – clearing snow or spreading salt outside your home or business will *not* make you legally liable if someone falls.

In Bawdeswell there are yellow salt bins in Hall Road, at the village sign and at the start of the Old Dereham Road. Foxley hopes to get salt bins soon.

Help is at hand with digital switchover

TV across the UK is switching to digital and Norfolk is set to be completely digital by 23 November. There are two dates on which you need to retune your TV or Freeview box – 9th & 23rd November.

If you have Sky or Freesat, you need do nothing.

The BBC-run Switchover Help Scheme can help those who may find the process difficult.

Find out more at www.helpscheme.co.uk or telephone 0800 40 85 900

Dog Walking Volunteers

Do you love dogs? Do you have experience with dogs and handling them? Would love to have a dog, but are not able to? Can you get to the outskirts of Dereham? Can you spare a couple of hours a week? Like Walking?

If you have answered 'Yes' to the above, WE NEED YOU!

We are looking for volunteers to walk dogs in our care ready for re-homing. Full training provided. For more information, or to apply, please contact: Our reception team for an application form on 01603 766001, or download an application form www.rspanorwich.org and go to the volunteers section.

Lydia Hall at the RSPCA

NOVEMBER DIARY

Tue 1 st	Flower Arranging Class 2pm Bawdeswell Village Hall
Thu 3 rd	Book Club meets at Old Workhouse Bar, 8pm Running Club circuit training 8 – 9pm
Sun 6 th	BAGY Breakfasts at Bawdeswell Village Hall from 8.30am
Mon 7 th	Bawdeswell Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm
Tue 8 th	Flower Arranging Class 2pm Bawdeswell Village Hall Project Bawdeswell Update, 7.30pm
Wed 9 th	Re-tune your Freeview tv.
Thu 10 th	Craft Afternoon at Bawdeswell Village Hall
Sat 12 th	Bawdeswell Free Cinema 7pm
Wed 16 th	Coffee Morning 1030am at Foxley Village Hall
Sat 19 th	Foxley Village Hall Bingo 7pm
Tue 22 nd	Flower Arranging Class 2pm Bawdeswell Village Hall
Wed 23 rd	Re-tune your Freeview tv once more.
Thu 24 th	Craft Afternoon at Bawdeswell Village Hall
Sat 26 th	Christmas Craft & Pamper Day, BVH, 10 – 4pm
Sun 27 th	Advent Carols with the ICENI choir 6pm in Bawdeswell Church, all welcome.
Tue 29 th	Flower Arranging Class 2pm Bawdeswell Village Hall
Wed 30 th	Children's Society Coffee Morning, Foxley Lodge, 10.30am

Foxley Village Hall – regular events

Exercise Classes	Every Tuesday morning at 9.30am.
Short Mat Bowls	Every Monday & Friday Evening
Bridge	Tuesday evening 7.15pm
Table Tennis	Wednesday evening.

Bawdeswell Village Hall - regular events

*Parish Council	Normally 1 st Monday of Month (not Jan or Aug)
*Village Hall Committee	Normally 3 rd Monday of Month
*Table Tennis	Every Monday
Countrysiders	Every other Wednesday in term time
WeightWatchers	Thursdays 6.15pm
Running Club	Thursdays 8pm
Little Monkeys (Parent & Toddler Group)	Fridays 9.15am
JayCee Bridge Club	Fridays 2.15pm
Pilates	Fridays 7pm
Seekers	1st Saturday of month
ICENI Choir Practice	Wednesdays 7.30pm
*Village Cinema Matinee	Some Months on Saturday 3pm
*Village Cinema	Monthly on a Saturday 7pm

Foxley Village Hall

Prize Bingo

Saturday 19th November 7 pm
onwards

Raffle, Bingo and Bar

All are welcome



BAWDESWELL CRAFT GROUP

We have been getting on with our own projects at our meetings during September which include a wonderful knitted lace baby's shawl with hundreds of stitches and a pretty cardigan for a baby girl in Norwich colours! We plan to continue meeting twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Thursday afternoons at 2.00 until 4.30 pm, for the rest of the year. We pay £2 a time and have just been able to make another donation (of £70) to the new hall fund from our amalgamated funds. We are a very informal group and welcome new comers. Our November meetings will be on the 10th and 24th.

Enquiries: Marietta Menzies 01362 688400.

FOXLEY COFFEE MORNINGS

In Foxley Village Hall

Wednesday November 16th at 10.30am Biscuits and the mardle.

Wednesday December 14th at 10.30am Christmas Special with mince pies to accompany the mardling.

Everyone welcome especially any folk new to the villages.

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***CHRISTMAS FAIR
WREATHS & CRAFTS***

**Saturday 10th December
10am - 4pm.**

CHRISTMAS CONCERT
**Sunday 11th December
4pm**

Pre orders for Wreaths & Flower Decorations
can be made with Sue Lilwall
01362 688240

BAG Bawdeswell Activities Group

Table Tennis – fun evenings - NOW EVERY MONDAY

We now play table tennis every Monday evening, singles and doubles. It is great fun. If anyone is interested, do come along and join us. Entrance fee is **£2 adult and £1 under 16** to cover the cost of hiring the hall. Anyone under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. For more information please contact Janet on (01362) 688749.

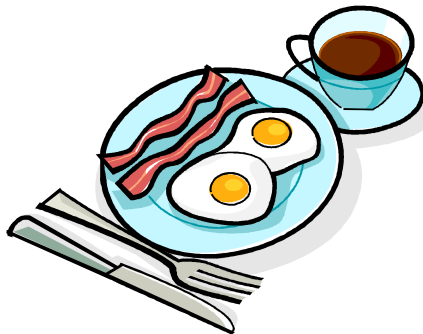
Running Club

The Running Club will commence Circuit training on **Thursday 3rd November** between 8-9pm - anyone is welcome, only £2 and all profit goes to the NEW HALL FUND. Running outside will probably re-commence in April/May 2012. Contact Fel on 07957254503 for more information.

BAG Family Breakfast

Sunday 6th November 8.30 - 11.30

The best Full English...
 Sunday papers...
 At Table service...
 Only £5 per person...
 Children under 5 free...
 All profits to the play area...



Call Fel on 01362 688876 or 07957254503 to book

Any young adults 10 years and over interested in helping, please contact Fel



Due to a problem with our film distributor we regret that we were unable to show 'Bridesmaids' in October and have had to cancel our 'advertised' film for November. We hope to show Bridesmaids in the new year. Our distributor has also imposed a minimum fee which means that it would cost us around £120 to show a film supplied by them and this can only be sustained by an audience of at least 30 people just to break even. We have therefore decided, for the time being, to only show 'Free Entry' films which, due to the terms of our licence, we cannot advertise outside the hall. See posters in Village Hall for details of films.

Our next two films will be on the following dates

Saturday 12th November - doors open 7pm

Free Entry Film [12A]

Saturday 14th January 2012 - doors open 7pm

Free Entry Film [15]

Our film nights for the rest of 2012 will normally be on the second Saturday of the month but see the Reeve's Tale for confirmation as there will not be a film every month.

All at Bawdeswell Village Hall – films start at approx 7.30pm

Free Entry

The Bar/Cafe will be open for refreshments

Call 01362 688749 for more information or see web site <http://bag.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/>

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



Bawdeswell Village hall can be hired by both parishioners and non residents. You can also hire tables and chairs for your own events. There are a number of regular activities at the hall – see events page at front of magazine for details. Bookings are now being taken for 2012. We also now have a smaller meeting room available for hire.

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

See also our website at –
<http://bawdeswellvillagehall.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/>

Village Hall Committee Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of every month and all are welcome to attend. If you would like to help run the hall or would like any other information please come along to the meeting.

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Tel: 01362-688665
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From: Mrs Annabelle Rose, Acting Headteacher

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Forthcoming events Autumn Term

- Thursday 1st November KS1 visit to Gressenhall
- Friday 11th November Tempest individual photos
- Tuesday 6th December Possible joint Xmas Production at Reepham High School (Further details to follow)
- Friday 16th December Xmas Church Service 1.30pm

Christmas Craft & Pamper Day

Bawdeswell Village Hall

Saturday 26th November 10 - 4

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THE BOOK CLUB

The Book Club meets in the Workhouse Bar on the first Thursday of every month at the new time of 8pm. We mostly obtain books from the Library so there is not the expense of buying new books each month. We are reading

The Children's Book by A.S. Byatt for discussion at our meeting on 3rd November, and for our meeting on 1st December we will be reading *Freedom* by Jonathon Franzen. New members are always welcome. Enquiries: Marietta Menzies 01362 688 400.

Review of ONE DAY by DAVID NICHOLLS

It's hard to escape One Day at the moment – currently number two in the paperback bestsellers and now a film starring Ann Hathaway and Jim Sturgess - but it wasn't an immediate success. First published back in 2009, the author, David Nicholls, relatively unknown; it has grown through word of mouth and recommendation and indeed this was how I too came across it. 'Here you are, Mum, you'll love this' said my daughter and she was right. It was very readable, sparky, funny. I laughed out loud, cried three times and left me reflecting over the tragic gap between what we say and what we really mean. But would the Book Club love it too?

One Day is the story of Emma and Dexter who meet on the eve of their graduation, July 15th, and thereafter revisits them, separately or together, for one day, every year on the anniversary of their meeting. At the end of each chapter you are left wondering what will happen next - then suddenly a year has gone by and the situation has changed in ways that are often totally unexpected. In Nicholls own words he wanted to "create the impression of looking through a photo album, so that the characters seem to change, yet remain the same. Twenty years is a substantial sprawl, so my initial instinct was to cover landmarks – births, marriages, deaths. Instead, I've taken one day at random – like a date on a bank statement." It does this very well.

A lot depends on whether you actually like the main characters – Dexter, the golden boy, with a so-so degree, charming, restless, arrogant, spoilt. Emma, clever, witty, loyal. Emma loves Dexter but doesn't always like him very much, Dexter loves Emma but he loves other things more – fame, alcohol, other women . Will they, won't they? When will they? And what will happen if they do?

So what was the Book Club's verdict? An easy read, light, well-written, the plotting device is clever. A parable of modern life? Drivel even. I would just say - Read it – I think you'll love it!

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FOXLEY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THE 6TH OCTOBER IN THE VILLAGE
HALL

Present: Councillors Harvey (Chairman) JH, Mears (Vice-Chairman) NM, Hatch NH, Barrett DB, Mr G Bambridge (District Councillor) Mrs E Buck (Clerk) and 2 Parishioners.

Apologies Mr B Borrett (County Councillor)

Minutes of last meeting The minutes of the last Parish Council meeting held on the 14th of July were agreed and signed.

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting. The minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on the 11th August were agreed and signed.

Parish Councillor Vacancy. The Chairman suggested that we place an advert in the village notice boards and also the Reeve's Tale, but also encouraged all Councillors to find someone to fill the vacancy.

Declarations of Interest Councillors JH and NH re: Precept donation for the PCC.

Matters Arising not Covered Elsewhere on Agenda

Highway Issues The Clerk was commissioned to report the condition of all the white lines on all junctions around Foxley and request that they all be re done, this was a result of work carried out by Barhales and May Gurney when installing the new sewerage system. The Highway Rangers came to Foxley the week commencing the 19th September and did a wonderful job, Gordon Bambridge will convey this to Highways. Also it has been suggested that a new sign be placed down Mill Road warning drivers of the sharp bend heading towards Billingford Road.

Ongoing Issues The Council still wish to have 2 grit bins installed in Foxley, Clerk to contact Highways again. Neighbourhood watch scheme was also discussed and an advert will be placed in the notice boards and also the Reeve's Tale to try to encourage the residents of Foxley to become more involved.

Correspondence

From the Cabinet Member for Planning and Transportation

The Parish Council agreed that Foxley had no major projects to warrant placing a bid with Highways at this time.

Finance

Summary of accounts The financial report for the period 14th July to 5th October were agreed and signed.

Proposed by DB and seconded by NH.

Approve Clerk's expenses Clerk's expenses approved.

Approved Payments

The following payments were agreed.

Cheque no 100336 £250. Donation to Foxley PCC Part 2.

Cheque no 100337 £250. Donation to Foxley Village Hall Part 2.

Cheque no 100338 £ 60. Mazars in connection with external audit work undertaken on behalf of the Audit Commission for year ended 31st March 2011.

Precept 2012/2013

The budget for the forthcoming year was discussed and it was agreed that the precept for 2012/2013 be set at £4,300, making it unchanged from this financial year. The Chairman thanked NH for his efforts in drafting the forthcoming year's budget.

Bawdeswell community car scheme

It was decided that Foxley agreed with the milage rate increase and the Clerk will contact the Bawdeswell Parish Clerk to let them know of their decision.

Planning

3TL/2011/0038/TL The Old Forge- Extension on time on pp 3PL/2008/1012/F Sun Lounge PP granted with 7 conditions.

3PL/2011/0827/F 3 Turnpike Close- Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of garden room PP granted with 7 conditions.

3PL/2011/0968/F Moor Farm - The Parish Council had no objections, only to reinforce the point that they are placed in the next field as requested at the Extraordinary meeting.

Village Matters

A parishioner has requested a letter be sent to Mr Gathergood to express our gratitude from all villagers for keeping the Churchyard in such good order.

Date of the next meeting

Thursday 8th December at 7.30pm

Contact Details for Parish Clerk- Emma Buck

[Tel:01362688299/07771654277](tel:01362688299/07771654277)

Email:foxleyemma@aol.com

BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL-Digest of Meeting Held on 3 October 2011

Present: Councillors Shannon, Mason, Beane, Kirby, Lilwall, Mallen, McColville,
Mrs C Boer and 5 parishioners

Ongoing Issues From Previous Meetings

Adams Pit: Seeding, planting and strimming around the Pit has continued, and the remaining hedging and trees have been ordered for planting by volunteers in early November. Anyone wishing to volunteer a few hours to help with the planting please contact the Parish Clerk. Once all the expenses for the final phase of work have been established, a match funding grant application to NCC will be submitted in an endeavour to recoup most of these costs. The Trustees hope to arrange a formal opening of the refurbished Adams Pit in Spring 2012 to recognise the work and thank all those involved in this project. More details to follow.

Possible Provision of Allotments: The Clerk has still not received advice from the National Society of Allotments & Leisure Gardeners Association on likely set-up costs for the potential Elsing Lane site.

Meanwhile, Reepham Town Council has agreed at their last meeting that it would be able to offer allotments to people outside their area at a cost of £45 (£15 more than Reepham residents) per full size plot (approx 11.5 x 21.m) per year and that plots are still available. For further details, please contact the Parish Clerk.

Village Sign: The restoration on the old village sign is on hold, pending completion of the new sign, which should be completed within 3 weeks. The Parish Council has agreed to incorporate more historical events relevant to Bawdeswell to the new sign, such as the destruction of the earlier church by the Mosquito aircraft. An unveiling ceremony of the new sign should take place at 11.30 on Sunday 20th November, after the church service, and this will be followed by tea/coffee in the Church. All welcome.

Improvements to Public Transport to Dereham: After some 2 years, NCC has finally agreed to move forward with a pre-bookable once-daily bus service from Bawdeswell to Dereham on Monday-Thursday; this will fit in with a new feeder service from Foulsham to Bawdeswell to meet with the X29 bus to Norwich. NCC are still finalising the timetable for the new bus route, but the journey from Bawdeswell to Dereham is likely to take place at around 11am, returning a couple of hours later. It is hoped that this new service will be launched in November. Parishioners are encouraged to use this service once it is launched to ensure that this valuable service is retained for the village.

Planning

PA 3PL/2011/0490/F: 31 Reepham Rd, erect 2.2kW PV ground mounted array

(NE corner of Garden) & 4sqm 1675kWh roof-mounted solar thermal system-west elevation; the PC by majority vote had no objections to this planning application.
PA 3PL/2011/0718/F: Land west of Heath Cottage, Dereham Rd, 2 detached dwellings. Refusal of planning permission mainly on the grounds of highways issues and development outside the settlement boundary.
PA 3PL/2011/0708/F: Heath Cottage, Dereham Rd, extension to rear (first floor) including the demolition of existing conservatory; planning permission granted with 10 conditions.

Any Other Business of Interest to Parishioners

Transfer of Land at the Street (Folland Court) to the Parish Council: The Parish Council is finally in receipt of the paperwork from its solicitor about the transfer of land from Flagship Housing. After some discussion about the merits of taking over the land in its existing state, the PC agreed that the Clerk should inform the solicitor to act on the PC's behalf regarding the transfer of land, but to emphasise the need to ensure that the land is correctly landscaped (turfed) prior to the transfer in accordance with earlier agreements.

**Contact details of the Parish Clerk C Boer Tel: 01362 688415/07877955745
Email: cboer.pariahclerk@fsmail.net**

AND FINALLY SOME NOT SO GOOD NEWS.....

Spate of Anti-Social Behaviour in OUR village

The Parish Council was exasperated to hear about recent anti-social behaviour in and around Bawdeswell. One incident, that has since been reported to the Police is of vandalism to the play tunnel at the new children's play area. Some youths apparently lit a fire near to the entrance of the tunnel and the subsequent damage is likely to cost £650 to repair. A lot of hard work and money has been spent on this community area, and parents need to be aware that a few youngsters are potentially spoiling this area through their selfish and misguided acts of pure vandalism.

It is hoped that a member of Norfolk Constabulary will attend the next Parish Council meeting on 7th November to discuss their investigations into this and other anti-social behaviour around the village. Anyone wishing to discuss any issues with the Police is encouraged to attend this meeting. Please keep an eye on the Parish/Shop notice board for confirmation of whether Norfolk Police will attend.

In the meantime the Parish Council urges parishioners to report any anti-social behaviour or criminal incidents immediately to the Police on 0845 456 4567 and asks that all parents discuss with their children the danger of lighting fires and the effects of anti social behaviour on our community. Please keep our children safe and our community a happy one.



Our big news is that we have received planning approval from Breckland Council for the proposed rebuilding of the Village Hall with some recommendations. A meeting is organised to take place with Breckland Planning shortly to go over some points, and when funds are available the conceptual plans we have drawn up will go to the architects for final detailed design suitable for building contractors to quote against, and for the addition of some architectural flair.

We are continuing weeding and litter picking at the Children's Play Area fortnightly (weather permitting) on Wednesdays at 9.30 am – next dates are 2nd November and 16th November.

The new hall fund has a balance of about £14,500 at the moment, and if you have not yet committed to the Buy a Brick standing order scheme please, please consider doing so. Forms are available from David Cockburn. Marietta Menzies 01362 688400

New Village Hall Project Update

"Open Invitation to Everyone"

Your Support & Feedback Really Matter !

Tuesday 8th November at 7.30pm **Bawdeswell Village Hall**

We really need to show and demonstrate that we have your support for our exciting plan and we would really welcome your feedback

The bar will open from 7pm

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Aleathia welcomed members, Russell Eden, our speaker, and Jean Austin, W.I Adviser, to our October meeting.

Russell elected to give us his talk straightaway – this “light-hearted journey into the world of public speaking”. Listening to Russell, one could tell immediately that he finds public speaking a fascinating subject. It was also obvious that he thinks everyone can readily overcome any nerves and even be comfortable when speaking in public.

It was a most interesting talk and Russell wisely included a few helpful tips First, choose your subject – one that you feel comfortable, even passionate, about. A good maxim:- strong beginning, strong middle and definitely a strong end. Russell advocates the use of the occasional pause and he advises - Believe in yourself. This has certainly given some of us food for thought.

After the tea/coffee/ break (plus delicious cake) we discussed last month’s Minutes and were brought up to date with recent meetings. Our Christmas Dinner will be at V’s in Reephams – 7 for 7.30pm on 12th December. The exhibition – Something Red – was judged by Jean. The winner was Chris W. Second Aleathia. Chris W. won the raffle.

Next month, Monday 14th November, is our Annual Meeting. The exhibition is a Piece of Jewellery. Please bring your Samaritan Boxes and/or any spare gifts to help fill other boxes. Hope to see you all.

Mary Humphrey

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BRIDGE CLUB

The JayCee Bridge Club holds weekly sessions at both Foxley and Bawdeswell Village Halls. We meet at Foxley Village Hall every Tuesday evening at 7.15p.m. for a 7.30p.m. start and at Bawdeswell Village Hall every Friday afternoon at 2.15p.m. for a 2.30p.m. start. For information (or to confirm a session is to take place) contact Roger Fryatt on 01362 688627 or Patsy Catchpole on 01362 688352.

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CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON FOR 'SENIORS'

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Following on from the 'Memories of Bawdeswell & Foxley' event in May, we are holding a Christmas afternoon for 'Seniors'.

There will be entertainment by Bill Cunliffe who will sing all the 'old songs' and some Christmas tunes for everyone to join in.

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**Carol Singing round Bawdeswell
Sunday 18th December**

Carol singing round the village with Father Christmas and his Elves in a Victorian sleigh. Depart the village hall 4pm, returning approx 6pm, followed by village Christmas Party.

Meet Father Christmas in his Grotto from 6pm. Present for each child.

Singalong till 8pm
Live music with Whirligig & Becca, 8pm till late.

Seasonal refreshments and Xmas Raffle.
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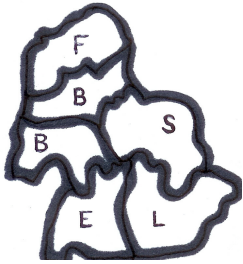
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Benefice News and Events



Another successful men's breakfast was held in Elsing village hall on 8th October, hosted by Lyng. Thanks to the generosity of the breakfasters we were able to give £95 to Lyng Youth Club to buy new equipment and also to send another £96 to the Norwich and Waveney branch for Motor Neurone disease. This is a voluntary association which provides support for

those suffering from this disease. Our thanks to all those who supported us and to those who helped out on the day. If any gentleman has not been to a benefice breakfast and would like to come, please contact your benefice rep, or the Rector, who will make sure you get an invitation to the next one.

Events for November

- 16th Coffee morning 3 Hill Paddocks Lyng 10-12noon
- 19th Sparham Bazaar Old School Room 10.30am
- 19th Elsing's Village Supper on 7.00 for 7.30 p.m.; tickets £8.50.
- 26th Grand thank you party Sparham Church – invitations going out soon



St. Mary's Church, Sparham

A Christmas Bazaar is being held in The Old School Room on Saturday 19th November. Doors open 10.30 a.m. There will be the usual stalls – cakes, books and Bric-a-Brac. There will also be a raffle. Welcome refreshments at the counter. Your support would be appreciated.

And at ELSING VILLAGE HALL Fri. 25th November, 7.30pm

King Henry's Band

Deliciously tuneful music from the 13th to 16th Centuries played on a wide variety of fascinating early instruments. Concert in aid of the stained glass windows of St Mary's Church, Elsing.
See October magazine for full details.

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St. Thomas' Foxley

Our Harvest Festival Service was held on 25th. September &, as always, the church seemed alive with the vibrant colours of Autumn. There were quantities of fruit & vegetables piled around the font, plus jam & tinned goods. On one of the window ledges there was a display of a variety of cereals – wheat, oats & several more- kindly provided by Mr. Hugh Rose, our grain - trading member of the P.C.C. Owing to fewer “thankful people” coming to “raise the song of harvest -home” our singing was perhaps less hearty than it might have been but we did our best, & led by the Rector, gave thanks for our good-fortune & many blessings.

Afterwards we enjoyed coffee & a chat in our newly designated “social space” at the front of the nave by the screen. We have plans to enlarge this area a little by removing the front panel at the right hand side & renovating the floor tiles. We are optimistic about getting permission.

Our Carol Service will be on 18th. December at 4-30 pm & our Christmas Day Service at 10-30 am. Last year some local children helped with the decorations & it will be lovely if they will do so this year – holly, ivy, tree, crib, candles all the traditional things. We are now quite short of Flower Ladies (or Gentlemen) – anybody willing? It’s a great way to use the flowers & foliage from your gardens & to exercise your artistic abilities!

Just a reminder- the Children’s Society Coffee Morning will be on Wednesday 30th November, 10-30am at Foxley Lodge. Everyone welcome!

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All Saints Church, Bawdeswell

We hosted a *One More Step Service* for the Benefice on the second Sunday of October. The theme was the Church of England and its message. After an interesting talk by the Rector, several people spoke up and a lively session followed.

The service went particularly well and it was a pleasure to have music and song from the Bawdeswell Worship Group as a bonus.

The monies have been collected for the Norfolk Churches Trust Sponsored Cycle Ride. Thank you all who sponsored Ken Ewing, Robin Taylor and William Mason. We collected £878 and will receive half of that back for our own church plus any Gift Aid due to us.

A great achievement and well rewarded. Thank you.

RT

The Worship Group

Our new worship group, consisting of two guitars, two flutes, one mandolin, and two singers, plus piano and there are only three of us, is now leading the music in our all age worship service, the GiG, once a month.

The feedback over the last four months has been tremendous and most encouraging. The contemporary Christian music repertoire is most beautiful and uplifting and we are finding new pieces each month to use in our service to enhance and enjoy.

If you would be interested in joining us please get in touch with James Lilwall on 01362 688499 or email: pjlilwall@hotmail.com

You would be most welcome !

Benefice Advent Carol Service - All Saints Bawdeswell

This most moving service by candle light will be held on **Sunday 27th November** at 6pm with members of the Icenii Choir. The service will include traditional advent music, readings and poems. The service starts with Bach's great Prelude & Fugue in E flat major 'St. Anne', BWV 552 at 5.45pm.

JL

Christmas Concert Sunday 11th December at 4pm

The sound of Christmas carols sung by a choir is an important part of the festive holidays.

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From the Rector

The F.L.E.B.B.S Benefice

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Dear Everybody, hello again.

Unemployment is an increasing problem in Britain. For people in the countryside, there are extra factors that can make it harder to find work; but also some things that can make life easier.

People often talk about “giving” someone work. That’s interesting, because the person working (usually!) earns their keep; why do we call it giving? I think it’s because work is something that we value so much, we do see it as a gift.

What people enjoy from being employed is: a sense of identity, money to live off, something to take pride in, work-mates, the development of skills, purpose in life.

These are all more or less things that we can have if we are self-employed, or retired or students, and even unemployed. These are gifts in life: to know who we are, to have enough to live on, to have self-respect, and friends, and achievements, and a future. They do not have to be bound up in work, but work can make it easier.

A question I heard recently is: should the retirement age go up to pay for pensions, or should it stay the same so that younger people can have the jobs that older people are being told to stay in? If there aren’t that many jobs, who should get them? One solution was: we job share, we earn less, we live on less, but we try to ensure everyone works.

Towards the end of life, people often question whether they are useful, which I really dislike. I also dislike the language, however politically charged it may be, of some young people “being on the scrap-heap”. The value of people, certainly in Christian terms, and I hope for all people who have a human heart, is not their earning potential. Their worth is because they’re human.

Many of the objects that are of sentimental value to you are not in themselves useful. Some aren’t worth much financially. What you value isn’t only related to work.

God bless you David Head

November 2011

Date	06/11	13/11	20/11	27/11
Season	3rd Sunday before Advent	2nd Sunday before Advent	Christ the King	1ST Sunday of Advent
Foxley	17.30 EP DH		8.00 HC PB DH	10.30 HC1 DH
Lyng	9.00 HC1 DH		15.00 EP DH	10.30 FS FST
Elsing	10.30 HC TC		9.00 HC1 DH	10.30 W&P CW
Bawdeswell	10.30 HC1 DH		10.30 GiG GiG team	18.00 Advent Carols DH
Bylaugh		10.45 Remem. DH		9.00 MP CW
Sparham	10.30 OASIS team		10.30 HC PB DH	9.00 HC DH

Holy Communion every Thursday morning at Lyng at 9.30am