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Welcome

Lots of news and letters

We'd like to thank everyone who has sent in their news and letters this month. It really is a bumper issue! For this month, we have been able to include most articles in their entirety and include all the events posters which have been supplied as full page pieces as they are.

However, it is a balancing act to get everything in the magazine without making it too long to be able to cover the cost of printing. We try to keep advertising costs as low as possible to help local businesses, but that does mean that we don't have the budget to print such a bumper edition very many times throughout the year, especially with printing prices on the increase.

So if you do send in a longer letter or news item in the future, please don't be offended if we're not able to include the whole thing in print. We will, of course, always do our best. If you want to go in unedited, it's best to keep things brief! As for events posters, please try to keep these to half a page wherever possible.

Keep your news and letters coming though. They're the bits that really make the magazine valuable to those people who take the time to read it each month.

Best wishes,
Emma and Gavin

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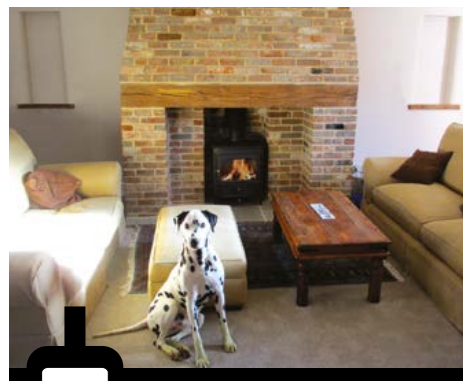
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March Events

Event	Date	Location(s)
Book Club	Thurs 2nd Mar	The Old Workhouse; 8.00pm
BVC Sunday Matinee	Sun 5th Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall; 2.30pm
Bawdeswell Parish Council	Mon 6th Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall; 7.30pm
Football Club Committee	Tues 7th Mar	The Old Workhouse; 8.00pm
Ladies' Craft Club	Thurs 9th Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall; 2.00pm
Bawdeswell Village Cinema	Sat 11th Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall; 7.00pm
FOBS AGM	Tues 14th Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall; 6.00pm
Foxley Coffee Morning	Wed 15th Mar	Foxley Village Hall; 10.30am
Out of the Box crafts	Thurs 16th Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall; 10.00am
MS Society Cake Break	Fri 17th Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall; 9.30am
Quiz and light supper	Sat 18th Mar	Foxley Village Hall
FOBS family quiz	Sun 19th Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall; 2.30pm
Ladies' Craft Club	Thurs 23rd Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall; 2.00pm
FOBC Gala Bingo	Sat 25th Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall; 7.00pm
Flower arranging	Tues 28th Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall; 2.00pm
Soup and Pudd Lunch	Thurs 30th Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall; 12.00pm

Other local events

Event	Date	Location(s)
Sparham Village Cinema: A Street Cat Named Bob	Fri 3rd Mar	The Old School Room, Sparham; 7.00pm (call Janet on 01362 688984 for details)
Sparham Village Ramble	Sun 12th Mar	The Old School Room, Sparham; 9.30am (call Janet on 01362 688984 for details)
Sparham Church Spring Bazaar	Sat 25th Mar	The Old School Room, Sparham; 10.00am
Iceni Choir: A Night at the Musicals	Sat 22nd Apr	St. Mary's Church, Reepham; 7.30pm (tickets from Very Nice Things in Reepham)

OUT of the BOX

Lights ALIVE - Themed Community Craft & Cake

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Regular Events

Event	Time/Date	Location
Slimming World	Mon. 5.00pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Pilates	Mon. 6.15pm and 7.15pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Table Tennis	Mon. 7.30pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Beck WI	2nd Mon. of each month 7.30pm	Old Schoolroom, Sparham
Short Mat bowls	Mon. 7pm - 9pm & Fri 7pm- 9pm	Foxley Village Hall
Hub Cafe	Tues. 9.30am - 12pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Bridge	Tues. 7.15pm, Friday 2.00pm	Tues: Foxley Village Hall, Friday: Bawdeswell VH
Yoga	Wed. 1.30pm (from 12th)	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Countrysiders	Wed. 7.00pm alternate weeks	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Table Tennis	Wed. evening	Foxley Village Hall
Little Monkeys	Fri. (term time) 9.30 - 11.30am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Games Afternoon	Sat. 1.00pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall

Future events at Foxley Village Hall

Event	Date
Quiz and light supper	18th March
Foxley litter pick	1st April
Bingo	22nd April
Mid-Summer's Night meal	25th June
Craft fair and light lunch (proceeds to Cancer Research & CPRE)	30th September
Foxley litter pick	14th October
Autumn lunch	5th November

EVENTS COMING UP AT



Friday 3rd March at 11:00am



Pushing the boundaries

We are pleased to welcome back Alan Gray from East Ruston Gardens and BBC Radio Norfolk on Friday 3rd March at 11:00am. The talk will be on Pushing the boundaries. (Please bring a Chair.)

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Thank you from David...

Dear Parishioners,

I am writing to say "thank you" on two counts: first of all, on my departure from the Parish Council; and secondly, more importantly, to thank you all for the splendid response to the farewell presentation for Dave the Postie on 3rd February.

After much soul searching, I decided to relinquish my role on the Parish Council at the beginning of February after some 10 years as a councillor, including 6 years as chairman. I felt that now was a sensible time to leave, both to give someone else the chance to serve and also before I became too jaded and stale in the role. That said, I thoroughly enjoyed my time on the Council, and in so many ways, I will miss the camaraderie and sense of service that the Parish Council brings.

In retiring, I would first of all like to thank all the parishioners of Bawdeswell who brought joy, tears and a reasonable amount of chest poking to my life over the last decade! My thanks also go to all of my fellow parish and district councillors over the years, who, without just reward, have helped to bring the village of Bawdeswell into the fine and vibrant community we share today. Believe me folks, I cannot think of a finer bunch of people who have the best interests of Bawdeswell at heart, and I trust that you will all give them the same level of support (and a little chest poking!) that you have shown me. My final thanks go to the Parish Clerks that I have enjoyed working with: Delia, Claire, Helen and, most recently, Jo. They are/were paid a pittance for a sterling sense of service way beyond the call of duty, and I therefore give them a heartfelt vote of thanks on your behalf and very much personally as well – thank you Ladies!

Before closing, I must turn to thank all of those who contributed so freely to the farewell gift to Dave the Postie who retired from the Post Office on 4th February. Dave was our 'Postie' for 12 years, but honestly, he has been much more than just a postman! He not only delivered our mail without fail, and with that famous smile and a kind word or deed when it was needed, but he also did so much for the life and spirit of this community, in particular in bringing youth soccer back to Bawdeswell. Dave will be sadly missed, but we are hoping that our new 'Postie', Geoffrey, will be able to fill those 'big shoes'. I just hope he won't inherit his shorts!

Those present will know that we gave Dave a good send-off at the village sign on Friday 3rd February. What some of you may not know, however, is that you collectively raised the princely sum of £930 for Dave's farewell present, alongside the



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beautiful pictorial memento of Bawdeswell prepared by Bill and Jackie Cunliffe. So, a big "Thank You" to the very generous folk of Bawdeswell and Bylaugh – you certainly helped to make it Dave's day, and just reinforced what I always knew about the community spirit within us.

David Shannon



Thank you from Dave...

I would like to say a big thank you to everyone living in and around Bawdeswell. In my 12 years delivering your mail (sometimes even to the right address!) I have met some really lovely people. Even at my ripe old age, there have been some who made a very real, lasting impression on me. There was John the butcher and Kathy, Alan Collier, a true inspiration, and others with great help and advice. There's even one who showed me that – even for a postman – the snow and Christmas is a magical time of year!

I really want to thank you all for those 12 years, for all the kind words and wishes when I retired, and also for the very generous cheque I received on my last day. It was both deeply humbling and a massive shock to me and something I really do appreciate. You have all been so good to me over the years and I will miss seeing you each day!

Dave the (retired) Postie

...And thank you from Sandi!

A very big thank you to everyone who contributed to my 'retirement' gifts at Elsing on Jan 29th. I was overwhelmed by the generosity of them. The flowers are magnificent and the smell is pervading the whole house, the book of Scottish photographs will keep Robin and me entranced for weeks making sure we don't miss any of them. I'm sure the rest of our family will enjoy it too. As for the most generous garden tokens – well, I'm lost for words. Thank you seems so inadequate. Perhaps a nice new garden seat to sit on while I peruse the book on what I hope will be some sunny Spring days.



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It was lovely to see so many friendly faces. We had all become a FLEBBS family and I'm sure that the fellowship will remain even though we are no longer one benefice.

My thanks too, to Fran, John and David for their kind words. Last, but not least my thanks to Robin, my sounding board when things went wrong and for his unfailing support.

Sandi Taylor

Update on planning matters in Bawdeswell

Although the planning application for 36 new dwellings on the Two Fields Way site (3PL/2015/1424/F) was granted last year, it is still shown as 'undecided' on Breckland's website pending 'legal matters'. This involves the Sect 106 situation and the ownership of the two 'public' pieces of land on the site which Bawdeswell Parish Council want control of to prevent the site being expanded.

It was therefore quite a shock to discover last week that another application, (3PL/2017/0035/F) had been received by Breckland for 44 dwellings on the same site at Two Fields Way. Although the company making the application has changed, it is believed that the same developer is behind both applications. From the layout of the plans it appears that the two on site 'roads' stop at the far end of the development thereby providing easy access to the field between the site and the Fakenham Road. This would be perfect for further development should that field be owned by developers in the future.

Bawdeswell Parish Council objected, unsuccessfully, to the original application on the grounds that the site is outside the Settlement Boundary, and that Bawdeswell does not have the infrastructure to support 36 new dwellings. Our school is always full or close to being full, we have no doctors' surgeries in the village and no public transport to the two closest surgeries. There are very few employment opportunities in the village, our Post Office is only open twice a week for three hours and the bus service provides transport to Norwich and Fakenham daytime but not evening, and only once a week to Dereham. Anglian Water has a history of complaints regarding the service they provide to the Hall Road area. Breckland has no power to improve these services but they do have the power to turn our lovely village into a building site.



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Breckland is now saying that it has a 'Five Year Plan' which means they have reached their target for new dwellings. This effectively should mean that all applications which are outside the settlement boundary should not get planning permission. Further bad news last week was a report in the Dereham Times that although Yaxham had successfully fought against being designated a Local Service Centre, Bawdeswell is to be designated a LSC subject to ratification by Breckland Council.

When Breckland warned us that Bawdeswell was being considered for LSC status they said it would mean our quota for new dwellings would be a total of 32 for the next 20 years. This was quickly increased to 36 to coincide with the Two Fields Way application. Many villagers were at the meeting in the church when the LSC situation was discussed with a Breckland representative.

Bawdeswell have asked Breckland to justify making us an LSC when we have already reached our quota of 32/36 dwellings. To date we have not received a reply. I can only assume that they do not intend to stick to their present quotas.

I urge everyone to put a comment on the Breckland Planning website, as many of you did for the last Two Fields Way application, and show Breckland that we do care about the future of our village. Bawdeswell Parish Council is in favour of small developments within the Settlement Boundary which our limited services can cope with, but 44 new dwellings outside the Settlement Boundary is unacceptable.

If it is easier, please write your comments in a letter, quoting the planning reference 3PL/2017/0035/F, and put it into my letterbox at 1 All Saints Court, The Street, Bawdeswell, and I will deliver them to Breckland Council Office.

Bill Cunliffe, Chairman, Bawdeswell Parish Council

Soup and Pudd Lunches

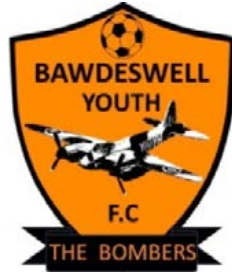
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Bawdeswell Youth Football Club

Since June 2016, Jamie Snell & Dave Froome (ex-postman) have been holding football training at Bawdeswell Village Hall, every Wednesday 6-8pm for local children aged 4-12. We have been overwhelmed by the impressive turnouts of, on average, 40 children (boys and girls) attending each week and had a recent record attendance of 46 children despite freezing conditions! Following this great level of interest we are in the process of becoming officially affiliated with the Norfolk Football Association; and aim to join a local youth league next season to compete competitively.



We have formed a committee which usually meets the first Monday of the month in The Old Workhouse Bar at 8pm, and would welcome new members on board the committee as there is plenty to organise in the coming months. Our next meeting for one month only is on a Tuesday - the 7th March.

As well as new committee members, we desperately need more coaches – anyone interested in becoming a coach can come along and introduce themselves at training, or call Jamie on 688979.

Fundraising for essential equipment such as line markers, flood lighting and footballs, training bibs etc. is one of the committee's first priorities; we are very grateful to have received generous donations from local businessman Robert Gurney, Bawdeswell Parish Council & Bawdeswell Activity Group. We also held a very successful raffle which was drawn at our Christmas disco and are planning another fundraiser on the 29th April – a Race Night. Everyone is welcome to attend the race night, whether you have ties to the club or not. It should be a great evening!



If you would like to come along to training, we would love to see you there! School years Reception - Y3 train 6-7pm, and Y4 - 7 train 7-8pm every Wednesday. Training is £2 per week, however your first 'taster session' is free of charge. We ask that all players wear shin-pads and football boots with plastic studs.

We would like to express our whole-hearted thanks to the Village Hall Committee, who have supported us no end, and enabled us to open the café area in the hall during training so parents/carers can have a cup of tea and not have to stand in the cold. We are extremely grateful to Ryan from Ryan Newton Photography who took pictures of players at our Christmas event and sold the images to parents, donating half the proceeds to the club. We would also like to thank Bob & Debbie at Bawdeswell Garage, Kenny at the Old Workhouse Bar and Carl & Peter from D R Builders who have very generously sponsored us for new kits for each of the teams.

A final thanks go to everyone that has supported our fundraising to date not just those mentioned above but all 30+ of the Christmas raffle prize donors, whose generous gifts enabled us to raise over £500 in one raffle! We think the turnout and fundraising success in such a short space of time indicates this was needed and has been welcomed in the village, and we hope to build on this promising start.

Scribbles pre-school celebrates outstanding Ofsted report

The inspection at Scribbles Pre-School which took place last month has resulted in the setting being awarded an outstanding rating across all criteria. It gave the highest rating for the effectiveness of leadership and management, quality of teaching, learning and assessment, personal development, behaviour and welfare, and outcomes for children.

The report that has just been published said: "Children thrive during their time at the setting and demonstrate that they feel fully secure. They openly communicate and take great pride in their achievements. Children are happy and settle very well."

The inspector said the children were extremely well prepared for the next stage of their education.

The report adds: "Children show great enthusiasm and excitement and are eager to join in activities. Children are making rapid progress in their learning."

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Village News

Foxley Village Hall Defibrillator Update

Thanks to the generosity of an anonymous Foxley resident who has made a significant donation towards the defibrillator fund, the committee have been able to place an order for a defibrillator. It is intended to place the defibrillator in the centre of the village outside the Village Hall and, once installed, there will be a meeting to show everyone how to use it.

MS Society's Cake Break



Come along to our MS Society's Cake Break on Friday 17th March 9.30am-11.30am at Bawdeswell Village Hall to help raise vital funds in supporting people with Multiple Sclerosis.

Scribbles Pre-School group will be at Little Monkeys in the main hall so there is something for everyone (there will be cakes for the kids too!). Any donations of cake/ raffle prizes would be gratefully received.

More than 100,000 people in the UK live with multiple sclerosis and as yet there is no cure. But with your help the MS Society can be there for anyone affected by MS, with better treatments, support and information. For further information on MS call their free helpline - 0808 800 8000 or visit mssociety.org.uk

We look forward to seeing you there!

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Bawdeswell Village Cinema Sunday Matinees

We are planning a series of Sunday afternoon Matinees at 2.30pm showing older, classic and other films. It starts on Sunday 5th March with the classic Ealing Comedy "Kind Hearts & Coronets" (1949).

Continuation of the matinees will depend on attendance. We are inviting nominations for future matinee films – please email or phone us. Usual ticket prices and the café will be selling hot and cold drinks and snacks but no alcohol.

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Village News

Bell-ringers at St. Thomas', Foxley

We have agreed to a request from a team of visiting bell-ringers to come and ring a full peal on our bells on Thursday 27th April at 10.30am. A full peal was rung in May last year, so this will be something similar. The ringers estimate that the peal will take 2.5 hours to complete, so they should be finished by 1.00pm. Please do not be taken by surprise.

Nigel Hatch

News from Chicken Cottage Childcare

We start our news with a thank you to Postman Dave who has finally handed over his red van and headed off to a well earned retirement. It's no secret what Chicken Cottage think of this kind man who has helped us with our learning over several years. We know he loved his card and trophy which the children presented to him, we wish him well but we really will miss him.

This month we will be exploring spring and thinking about what seeds and plants we will grow this year. Our new friends are now safely settled in, it will be another hectic year filled with fun, laughter and some learning thrown in the mix.

Carol, Natalie and Jayne

Rotary News

The public speaking skills of our young people were put to the test at Reepham High School at Youth Speaks 2017. Thanks to the Rotarians who were involved in coaching and judging. We also provided cash prizes and a trophy for the winners.

The theme was "Introducing the New National Awareness Day.....". Unanimously chosen as the winner was Molly Jarvis who proposed mobile phone free days.

The Rotary Technology Tournament will be organised by the Rotary Clubs of Norwich, Norwich St Edmund and Reepham & District. The tournament will be held at Hewitt Academy Norwich on 3 March. Pupils work in teams of four to solve a simulated real life practical problem. All participating young people receive a certificate of attendance, plus there are trophies for the winners in each category.

For more information: **Richard Cooke 07889 036 852;**
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The hall will be open from 2.15pm and the Quiz should end by 5.30pm

Cost is only £3 for Adults and £1 for Children

Further information from Roger on 688627 or Jamie on 688979

Village News

Bawdeswell Village Hall



At their meeting in February the Trustees continued to focus on the future needs of the building and its users.

It was decided to spend the generous donation from the proceeds of the Trosh received in memory of Chris Hood on the water boiler and coffee hot plates and jugs in Reception, soon to be installed. Chris always enjoyed a strong cup of tea so we feel this is an appropriate purchase in her name. The donations received in memory of Les Beach will be used to help finance an appropriate storage shed to replace the tin box near the recycle bins. This project is, appropriately, becoming known as "the Beach Hut"!

More tables are being purchased to replace some that were lost. Four trolleys will be bought so that chairs can be stacked and stored on them and then wheeled into position where needed as easily as pushing a supermarket trolley. These will be a great help to users as well as the hard working volunteers who hump and stack chairs at the moment as required.

The loop system to help the hard of hearing is now installed and is working well. We are grateful to those volunteers who worked on that particular project. The old village sign will soon be installed in Reception.

The group once known as Bawdeswell Activities Group (BAG) is changing its name to Bawdeswell Events Group (BEG) and is made up of Trustees and others who are enabling events at the Hall. The weekly HUB café, monthly soup and pudd lunches, any catering carried out for users and any ad hoc events will be actioned through BEG in future. BEG will take over and continue the support of the children's football for this year.

The Trustees are keen to support activities for the high school children and teenagers in the village. If there is someone out there with any ideas on engaging with youth and setting up and running a group it would be great to hear from you.

Contacts:

Chairman: James Lilwall - 01362 688 499
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Book Club

“Burial Rites” by Hannah Kent



Set 1929, and based on fact, the novel explores the last few months in the life of the last woman to be executed in Iceland.

A crofting family, who farm in a remote part of Iceland, are chosen to host a convicted murderess, Agnes Magnúsdóttir, whilst she awaits execution. The reader is transported to a bleak and hostile landscape where the sun hardly appears to rise. The host family live a hand to mouth existence and Agnes is, understandably, an unwelcome guest. The family know little of her other than that she and two other perpetrators have been convicted of the murder of her former employer.

Initially she remains mute, speaking to no-one other than a visiting priest. The reader however is privy to her thoughts and can see a compassionate side to her which is at odds with the family’s perception of her as a brutal murderess. By working hard she slowly gains the trust of one family member, Margret. One bleak night the two women start conversing and Agnes recounts the tragic and moving story of her past and her involvement in the crime for which she has been sentenced. It is no surprise to the reader that the circumstances behind the crime, and Agnes’ involvement in it, are not as may first have been thought.

The writer, Hannah Kent, learned of the existence of Agnes Magnúsdóttir during a visit to Iceland as a teenager and felt compelled to research her life, and the mystery surrounding the crime, with the limited evidence available. The outcome is a beautifully written work of fiction woven into the few surviving facts. Hannah Kent does not portray Agnes as a victim nor necessarily as a heroine but creates a believable character with strengths and flaws. I don’t think I would have been the only one to shed a tear at the end of the book when the time came for Agnes to be taken to her place of execution.

The turnout at our last meeting was one of the largest in recent times and with one exception the group agreed the book was a totally compelling read. I have to say I found it a perfect book to read in the bleak mid-winter!

We meet in The Old Workhouse on the 1st Thursday of the month at 8pm. We are reading “Hitman Anders and the meaning of it all” by Jonas Jonasson for discussion at our meeting on the 2nd March and “Mothering Sunday” by Graham Swift for discussion at our meeting on 6th April. New members always welcome.

Enquiries: Marietta Menzies 01362 688400.

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Bawdeswell Ladies' Craft Club



For our second meeting in January some of us joined the "Out of the Box" craft morning held in the Village Hall where various craft projects were produced. Helium Balloons were beautifully decorated with weights and ribbons for St. Valentine's day, and some of us also decorated jars for various gifts. It was a stress-free morning doing something different which everyone enjoyed. Tea and coffee was available too with a wonderful array of tempting cakes.

Our first February meeting was our usual "knit and natter" which is always fun as we do seem to find a lot to laugh at.

Our March meeting dates are the 9th and 23rd. New members always welcome.

Enquiries: Marietta Menzies 01362 688400



Bridge Club

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The JayCee Bridge Club holds two weekly sessions. We meet every Tuesday evening at 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start at the Foxley Village Hall, and every Friday afternoon at 2.15pm for a 2.30pm start at the Bawdeswell Village Hall in the Meeting Room. Please contact Roger or Patsy for information, or to confirm a session is to take place. Whilst we aspire to play well, our range of bridge playing abilities means that it's really bridge for fun! No regular partners are needed.

Roger Fryatt: 01362 688627 or Patsy Catchpole: 01362 688352.



Bawdeswell Bowls Club

This season has been enjoyable as well as successful. The green was playing to a very high standard, gaining high praise from both home and away teams. Bintree, Foulsham and Lakeside have all had good seasons playing on the Bawdeswell green. Finally the new village hall has been a great asset this season.

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Foxley Village Hall Coffee Morning

15th March at 10.30am

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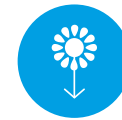
Short Mat Bowls

Foxley Village Hall

Every Monday 7pm - 9pm and Friday 7pm - 9pm.

Our short mat bowls is not the game you may have watched on TV where the game is played in absolute silence: a single cough incurring instant glares of castigation. No, this is a game where chatter and a considerable amount of laughter (and a cup of tea and biscuit at half time) are an intrinsic part of the evening. The atmosphere is distinctly friendly and sociable. Why not come along and have a go? There will be bowls for you to try and plenty of help and encouragement from members.

To find out more, call **Dennis** on **01362 688099** or **Carole** on **688567**.



Flower arranging

2pm, Bawdeswell Village Hall, £7.50 per person, including refreshments.

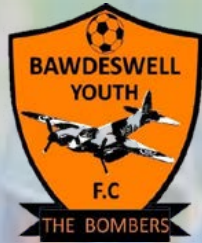
28th March, 11th April, 18th April, 2nd May, 16th May, 23rd May, 6th June

Contact **Sue Lilwall** on **01362 688240** for further information.



Iceni Choir

The Committee of Iceni Choir is looking to appoint a new MD. The Choir is a full SATB choir with a membership of around 40 men and women drawn principally from mid-Norfolk. The choir rehearses in Reepham for two hours each Wednesday evening and performs about four concerts a year. The Choir's repertoire is broad and varied. The role is remunerated for time and expenses, plus the prospect of an annual bonus based on the financial outcome of the year. If you are interested please see the full profile at icenichoir.org or contact the Chairman, Mr. James Lilwall at pjlilwall@hotmail.com



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688488

Fifty **And** **Beyond**

Foxley Village Hall

Wednesday 5th April at 10.00am

Come and join us for refreshments, home made cakes, good company and of course our usual **FAB** raffle!!

This month we will be welcoming Steve Collin from

Norfolk Wildlife Trust

He is the Senior Warden for **Foxley Wood** and will give us a talk on his work and all aspects of this local beauty spot.



Sure to be really interesting!

For transport or any other enquiries please ring:
Bill & Jackie 688956 or Janet 688749.

Hope to see you there!

Clubs and Societies



The Friends of Bawdeswell School

We meet every second Tuesday of the month at Bawdeswell Village Hall Meeting Room, 6pm. New members always welcome. Help as little or as much as you like.

Our AGM will be held at 6.00pm on Tuesday, 14th March.



Beck WI

The Beck is an enthusiastic group which meets on the second Monday of each month at 7.30pm in the Old School Room at Sparham.

Two guests joined us again this month as Gill, one of our own members, gave us a fascinating talk on her travels by train from Norwich to Hong Kong.

We continue to run a very varied programme in 2017 and guests are always welcome to join us.

Next meeting: March 13th with a presentation by Neil Chadwick from the Hawk and Owl Trust.

We are always looking to recruit new members. Please contact **Christine Woor** on **01603 872427** or **Liz Waddy** on **01362 688910** for further information.



Wensum Valley Birdwatching Society

Indoor meetings at Weston Longville Hall for All, 7.30pm. All welcome. (There is a £2.00 charge for non-members)

Thursday 16th March – Gulls, Seabirds and Tracking studies by Dr Viola Ross-Smith

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We are a friendly 'young at heart' group and we guarantee you a warm welcome - come along and give us a try.

If getting there is a problem we can arrange transport. For this or any other enquiries, ring Bill and Jackie Cunliffe on **688956** or Janet Cockburn on **688749**.



Little Monkeys Parent and Toddler Group

Come along to our friendly group for parents, grandparents and their 0-4 year olds. Have a cuppa and a chat while your little one plays, or maybe join your child for fun craft activities and messy play. Best of all, your home gets to stay nice and tidy...for a morning anyway!

Find us at Bawdeswell Village Hall every Friday morning during term time, 9.15-11.30am. Only £2 for you and your 'little monkey' (50p for each additional monkey). Includes snacks.

For more information, contact Kate on **(01362) 688911** or Anne on **688447**.



Bawdeswell Table Tennis Club

Do come along and join us on Monday evenings. All levels of experience are welcome. We have a keen 14 year old who enjoys playing with the 'more mature' players! It would be even more fun if there were other young adults playing too. Under 16s must be accompanied by an adult. It is great fun and some of us pop into the pub after for a well earned drink!

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Should Sylvia be unavailable, please ring Jackie Cunliffe on 688956

I will be handing over the co-ordination of the scheme to Jackie but I am still available to help with any queries.

Angela Shannon – CCS Co-ordinator



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Monday	Wood Dalling Village Hall	1.15pm - 3.15pm
Tuesday	Bawdeswell Church	9.00am - 12.00pm
Tuesday	Foulsham, New Frost Hall	12.30pm - 3.30pm
Wednesday	Bintree Church	8.30am - 10.30am
Thursday	Foulsham, New Frost Hall	8.30am - 11.30am
Thursday	Lenwade, Bridge Inn	12.00pm - 2.00pm
Friday	Bawdeswell Church	9.00am - 12.00pm
Friday	Bintree Church	12.30pm - 2.30pm

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Parish Councils

Bawdeswell Parish Council Meeting 6th February 2017

Present: B. Cunliffe (Chair), D. Shannon, J. Mallen, P. Lilwall and R. Reed
Mrs. J Boxall (Clerk)
Members of the public - 3

Matters arising

Following further enquiries about the schedule for the phone box repaint, BT confirmed that the phone box was being considered for decommissioning and that a public consultation had already taken place without any previous notification to the Parish Council. It was agreed to write to Breckland questioning why the PC had not been consulted on the matter.

An update from Breckland re Section 106 agreement for amenity land at Two Fields Way was requested. It was reported that a further planning application was being processed for 44 houses on this land which may affect the amenity land and agreement. Letter to be sent to Breckland to reiterate initial request for PC ownership of amenity land and to seek assurance that the specification for the amenity area will be met.

It was agreed to seek further information with Open Space Society regarding adopting the Village Green.

Planning

Replacement dwelling at Pigmans House, Wood Farm, Reepham Road, Bawdeswell -

The Council agreed to object to the application on the grounds that the existing structure could not be considered as a dwelling and the application should be considered as new development. There are no agricultural connotations and the site exit onto the Reepham Road is dangerous.

Erection of 2 storey detached dwelling at Land Adjacent to 6 Reeves Close, Bawdeswell, Norfolk -

The Council agreed that their only objection was that the dwelling was outside the settlement boundary and the Council needed to remain consistent with their policy.

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Community Speed Watch

There has been complaints about speeding in and around Bawdeswell. Norfolk Constabulary are keen to promote the benefits of the Community Speed Watch Teams and along with the Parish Council would support setting one up in Bawdeswell. If you would like to set up a Community Speed Watch scheme in the Village please contact the Norfolk Safety Camera Partnership on 01603 276433 or the local district Engagement Officer by dialling 101. Further information can be found at <https://www.norfolk.police.uk/join-us/volunteers/community-speed-watch>

Councillor resignation

David Shannon has tendered his resignation. He thanked his fellow Councillors and the Clerk for their support during his time as Councillor. Thanks were extended to him for all his hard work. He will continue to volunteer in the community. A notice of vacancy will be displayed.

Thank you!

The Parish Council would like to say a HUGE Thank you to all residents for all their hard work in keeping Bawdeswell looking neat and tidy. Your efforts are much appreciated!

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 6th March 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. It was agreed to change the meeting date to the first Thursday in the month, starting on the 6th April 2017. The meeting will still start at 7.30pm.

If you have any concerns please contact the Parish Clerk: Jo Boxall, White House, Pettywell, Reepham, NR10 4RN

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Full draft minutes from this meeting and minutes from previous meetings, including financial/audit information and policies can be found on the Parish Council website. <http://bawdeswell.norfolkparishes.gov.uk>

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The Friends of Bawdeswell Church

Thank you to everyone who has renewed their 100 club and those who supported us last year. We've gained a few new member, welcome and thank you. We kicked off the Year with our annual 100 club member's drinks party on Saturday Jan 21st. This was a lovely opportunity to thank our members for their continued support and welcome our new members. If you would like to join details are always available via our web page or on the leaflet at the back of the church.



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Planning is well advanced for our first 'Gala Bingo Night' on Saturday March 25th. Tickets our £10, children £5, which includes your game cards, special pen and supper. There will be the usual bar and raffle and some great prizes! We must thank Frank, our bingo caller, who has helped us with all the planning as many of us are bingo novices! It's going to be a fun night for all the family, tickets available now, get them early as it looks as if this could be very popular.

The events for this year have all now been arranged so do make an early note of them in your diary and we look forward to welcoming you – thank you for all your support and contributions.

Our events for 2017:

March 25th: 'Bingo Night with Supper' – 7pm Village Hall

May Sat 6th: 'Spring Barn Dance' – 7pm Village Hall

July Sun 23rd: 'Festival Players – Shakespeare's Merry Wives of Windsor' 4.30pm Church (if wet we will use the church)

Sept 22nd-24th: 'Flower Festival Weekend' – 10am - 4pm Church

Oct 7th: 'Harvest Supper with Quiz' – 7pm Village Hall

Dec 16th: 'Christmas Fair with Wreaths' – 10am – 2pm Church

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Letter from Sally

Dear Friends,

At the very end of January, I was delighted to be able to announce the beginning of a new Interim Ministry across the churches of the Heart of Norfolk Team. The Revd Canon Christopher Davies, formerly Vicar of Wymondham Abbey, has joined us for a period of up to 12 months and will be taking services and getting to know our village communities at coffee mornings and other gatherings. I am handing over to Christopher now, to introduce himself and reflect on the season of Lent, which begins on Ash Wednesday, 1st March.

Christopher writes:

I am delighted to have this opportunity of returning to parish ministry and I am much looking forward to working with Sally and getting to know the communities that make up The Heart of Norfolk. I have been ordained for over 30 years and have served in inner-city, suburban and latterly a market town parish (Wymondham). In coming to The Heart of Norfolk I feel in one sense that I am coming home as the first part of my working life was spent as a farmer in a rural part of Hertfordshire.

Much has changed in the church during those 30 years but one thing which has remained constant for me, wherever I have served, is the need to set aside some time to nurture my relationship with God. Although I was taught in my theological training always to set aside some time each day for some serious theological reading, the realities of a busy parish mean that such a discipline often gets squeezed. I feel I cannot justify sitting with my head in some tome when a parishioner should be visited or Holy Communion taken to someone who is housebound.

In Lent I always try extra hard, however, to do some spiritual reading and I am currently setting aside half an hour each day to read around the subject of worship. I have already had a salutary lesson and have been reminded that worship isn't about spectacle. For those of us who regularly participate in worship, particularly "from the front" be it leading intercessions, reading, welcoming or acting as sides-persons, there is the feeling of being on view and yet the only audience for worship is God. Of course we want to get things right in our worship, but for whom?

In the same way in our daily lives we take care to make sure our behaviour is acceptable to others and the approval and admiration of others remains a powerful force in our lives. But we have heard the word of Jesus: It is not people we must



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impress; it is God we must honour. We are not to seek our neighbour's approval but we are to faithfully serve the purposes of God.

What we say and do as Christians seeks not the approval of people but the honouring of God. It is not public recognition and approval that should be our first concern – but rather the mission of God in Jesus Christ. No doubt that may prompt some to see what we do as perverse or maybe even hypocritical. But we are to hang loose to our reputations, neither out of false modesty, nor the blithe disregard of how may look to others but in sure and certain dependence on God's righteousness alone.

Lent is a wonderful opportunity for some extra reading and reflection. If you do not fancy doing this on your own why not join one of the groups which will be meeting? I have certainly found over the years that the more I am able to do in this respect the more wonderful the celebration of Easter becomes.

Do use Lent positively!

With every Blessing.

Christopher

Deanery Lent Services

This year the focus of the series will be 'Prayer', and among the preachers will be the Dean of Norwich, Jane Hedges; our Archdeacon, John Ashe; and our Team vicar, Christopher Davies.

The dates and venues are:

- 5th March, at All Saints, Stibbard
- 12th March, at All Saints, Bawdeswell
- 19th March, at All Saints, Weston Longville
- 2nd April, at St. Peter and St. Paul, Salle
- 9th April, at St Mary, North Elmham.

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March Church Services

Date	01/03	05/03	12/03	19/03	26/03
Season	Ash Wed.	1st Sunday of Lent	2nd Sunday of Lent	3rd Sunday of Lent	4th Sunday of Lent
Colour	P	P	P	P	P
Bawdeswell	07.30pm HC1 Imposition of ashes SK		11.00am HC 1 SK 4.00pm Deanery Choral Evensong CD	10.30am The 10.30 CW	10.30am Words & Praise CW
Foxley		09.30am HC (PB) CD	11.00am HC1 LW	11.00am HC1 CD	18.00 EP(BCP) CW

Key:

HC1: Holy Communion, Common Worship Order 1
 HC(PB): Holy Communion, Book of Common Prayer
 EP(BCP): Evening Prayer, Book of Common Prayer
 The 10:30 All age worship
 Words and Praise: Service of the Word

LW: The Revd Leslie Wilman
 SK: The Revd Sally Kimmis
 CD: The Revd Canon Christopher Davies
 CW: Churchwarden

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Citrus Cured Salmon Gravlax horseradish crème fraîche, granary bloomer	£ 5.50
Barbeque Chicken Wings barbeque sauce, crispy onion salad	£ 5.75

Mains

Roast Topside of Beef	£ 9.95
Roast Norfolk Turkey	Child £ 6.95
Roast Loin of Swannington Pork	
Roast Honey Glazed Gammon	
Steak, Kidney, Mushroom & Guinness Pie	
Winter Veg & Wild Mushroom Casserole herb dumplings	
Pan Fried Fillet of Salmon cockle, white wine, chive & lemon vol au vents	

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