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We wish you and your families a safe, healthy and happy Christmas.

Anne and team

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December/January Events

Event	Date	Location/Time	
Book Group	Thurs 2 nd Dec	The Old Workhouse; 8.00pm	
Bawdeswell Parish Council	Thurs 2 nd Dec	Bawdeswell Village Hall; 7.30pm	
Foxley Parish Council	Thurs 2 nd Dec	Foxley Village Hall; 7.30pm	
Tower Open Day	Sun 5 th Dec	St. Thomas Church; Foxley 2pm	
Cafe Philosophique	Tues 7 th Dec	The Old Workhouse; 7.30pm	
Christmas Wreath Fair	Sat 11 th Dec	All Saints Church, Bawdeswell; 10-1pm	
Foxley Carol Service	Sun 12 th Dec	St. Thomas Church; Foxley 4pm	
Mobile Library	Tues 14 th Dec	New Times - From 11am	
Foxley Coffee Morning	Wed. 15 th Dec	Foxley Village Hall 10.30am	
Bawdeswell Carol Service	Sun 19 th Dec	All Saints Church, Bawdeswell; 4pm	
Cafe Philosophique	Tues 4 th Jan	The Old Workhouse; 7.30pm	
Book Group	Thurs 6 th Jan	The Old Workhouse; 8.00pm	
Knit and Natter	Thurs 13 th Jan	Bawdeswell Village Hall 2-4pm	
Soup n Pud Lunch	Thurs 27 th Jan	Bawdeswell Village Hall 12pm	
Knit and Natter	Thurs 27 th Jan	Bawdeswell Village Hall 2-4pm	

OTHER LOCAL EVENTS

Event	Date	Location/Time	
Reepham Festival of Light	Thurs 2 nd Dec	4 – 7pm Market Place, Reepham	
Reepham Christmas Tree Festival	2 nd – 5 th Dec	St. Mary's Church, Reepham, see page 8 for more information	
Reepham Gardening Club	Tues 14 th Dec	7pm Reepham Town Hall, see page 11 for more information	
Reepham WI	Thurs 16 th Dec	7pm St. Michaels Church Hall, Reepham see page 11 for more information	
Reepham Gardening Club	Tues 18 th Jan	7pm Reepham Town Hall, see page 11 for more information	
Reepham WI	Thurs 20 th Jan	7pm St. Michaels Church Hall, Reepham see page 11 for more information	







REEPHAM'S FIRST CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

Presented by Reepham Lions Club

St Mary's Church, Reepham

Thursday, 2 December to Sunday, 5 December 2021

OPENING TIMES

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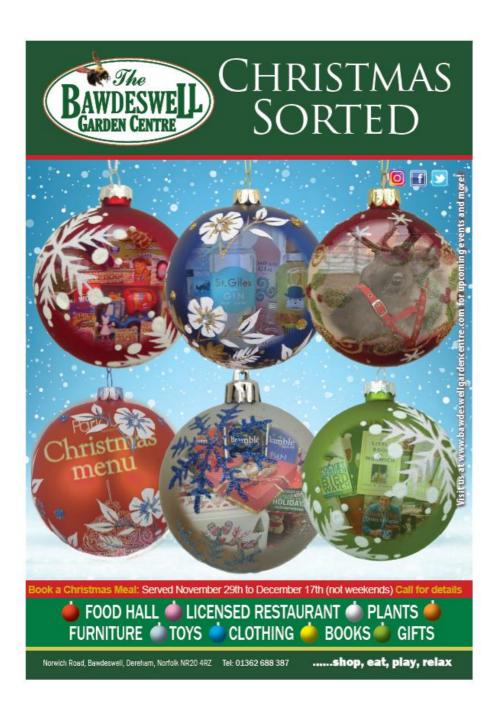
This community event will involve residents, groups and businesses from Reepham and the surrounding area, as sponsors, tree decorators or visitors.

There will be an opportunity for visitors to make voluntary donations, the proceeds of which will be shared between Reepham Lions and St Mary's Church, Reepham

WHAT'S ON

Regular Events	Time/Date	Location
Zumba Fitness	Mon. 10 – 11am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
FitSteps	Mon. 11 – 12pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Zumba Fitness	Mon. 7 – 8pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Short Mat Bowls	Mon. 2 – 4pm	Foxley Village Hall
Hub Cafe	Tues. 10 – 12pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Let's Dance	Tues. 9 – 10am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Zenchee Flow	Tues. 10 – 11am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Bridge Club	2 nd and 4 th Tues. 7pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Let's Dance	Wed. 9 – 10am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Zenchee Flow	Wed. 10 – 11am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Youth Football Club	Wed. 6 - 8pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Yoga	Thurs. 2.15 – 3.15pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Fitsteps	Thurs. 7 – 8pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Zenchee Flow	Fri. 10 – 11.30am	Foxley Village Hall
Bridge Club	Fri. 2pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Short Mat Bowls	Fri. 2 – 4pm	Foxley Village Hall
Hatha Yoga	Sat. 8.30 – 9.30am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Games Afternoon	Sat. 1.30 – 4.30pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall

SOCIAL DISTANCING AND COVID PROTOCOLS OBSERVED



EVENTS INFORMATION

REEPHAM GARDENING CLUB

Tuesday, December 14, 2021 - 19:00 It's Christmas Party Time - starts at 7pm.

Our December Meeting (party) will also feature a brief presentation by Thomas Courtauld DL (Deputy Lieutenant for Norfolk) on 'The Queens Green Canopy'. The Queen's Green Canopy is an initiative to celebrate The Queen's Platinum Jubilee by encouraging people to plant and protect trees as a legacy to Her Majesty's Service to the Nation.

Tuesday, January 18, 2022 - 19:45

'The Wonderful Medlar - Our Forgotten Fruit' - Jane Steward

Jane is the owner of Eastgate Larder, specialist grower, and producer of medlar preserves. Jane will talk about her passion for reviving the medlar and the orchard they have planted at Eastgate.

Location: Town Hall, Church St, Reepham NR10 4JW

New members and visitors always welcome. For more information call Jeff Johnson

on <u>01362 680066</u>, find us on facebook or visit our website: <u>www.reephamgardeningclub.org.uk</u>

REEPHAM WI

Thursday 16th December Christmas Party Time starts at 7pm. Non, Je ne Regrette Rien - David and Julie Rees

The spellbinding songs and heart-rendering story of the life and loves of Edith Piaf.

Thursday 20th January, 7pm

The Lady Lord Mayors of Norwich: 1923-2017 - Phyllida Scrivens

The Norwich writer and biographer, will be giving an illustrated talk on the biography of the 17 remarkable and diverse women who have had the honour of being First Citizen of Norwich.

Location: St Michael's Church Hall, Reepham

If anyone is interested in becoming a member of the WI, please contact Christine Smith, Reepham WI Secretary, at williamsmith110@btinternet.com.





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LETTERS

A MESSAGE OF GRATEFUL THANKS

I would like to thank the clergy and congregation of All Saints Church, and all the kind friends from Bawdeswell and Foxley who have sent messages, cards, flowers and gifts during my recent hospital stay, and since my homecoming. I am very lucky to have such a supportive family and community to help me on the way back to full mobility.

Angela Shannon

Foxley Village Hall

As many of you will have seen as you pass by Foxley Village Hall the car park has been re-laid and a patio area constructed to the side of the hall. We thank all our regulars for bearing with the disruption whilst this was being done but it has made a huge improvement to the frontage of the hall.

ZenChee Flow will finish for the Christmas break on Friday December 17th, starting again after Christmas on Friday January 7th at 10 am.

Coffee Morning. The January Coffee Morning will be on the third Wednesday of the month, on Wednesday 19th January 2022 at 10:30 am. All welcome.









Winter Spring Programme

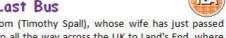
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Saturday 8th January - 7.30 pm start The Last Bus



John O'Groats, Scotland: An elderly man, Tom (Timothy Spall), whose wife has just passed away uses only local buses on a nostalgic trip all the way across the UK to Land's End, where they originally met using his free bus pass.

Saturday 12th February - 7.30 pm start Dream Horse



Dream Alliance is an unlikely race horse bred by small-town Welsh bartender Jan Vokes. With no experience, Jan convinces her neighbours to chip in their meagre earnings to help raise Dream in the hopes he can compete with the racing elites.

Saturday 12th March - 7.30 pm start The Pebble and the Boy



The story follows John Parker, a 19 year old from Manchester who embarks on a journey to Brighton, the spiritual home of the Mods, on an old Lambretta scooter left to him by his father. The film is a celebration of Mod culture and fashion and features music by Paul Weller and The Jam.

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VILLAGE NEWS

Bawdeswell Village Hall



We are very lucky to have such a good village hall that is used regularly by people in the village and further afield. The overall responses from hirers and users is very positive. Great feedback is given on how welcoming the Trustees and BEG volunteers are. What is lovely to see is the variety of age groups using the hall, from the tiny tots to those of a more senior age. Long may it continue.

The first 'soup and pud' event held on the last Thursday of October was a great success thanks to the volunteers of BEG. Three very tasty soups and at least six different puddings were devoured and considering it was a long time since the last 'soup and pud', it was well attended. However, please make a note in your diaries for the last Thursday in the month (not December) at 12.00 to enjoy yet again the culinary delights of the wonderful creations made by the volunteers.

Another event of great success was the bingo evening driven by Bill and Jackie Cunliffe. What a fun night we had. Fantastic prizes, extra gifts for those who shouted out 'Bingo Bill', some nice raffle prizes and a well-run bar by Mr Shannon.

We are now in the possession of four air purifiers situated in various rooms within the hall that take in the air and clean it before recirculating. These machines are on castors and can be moved from room to room as required. We hope this helps reassure users that, when the weather turns and doors can no longer be left open the air circulating is being cleaned as people enjoy themselves in the hall.

We also have a new heavy curtain placed on the doors leading from the activities room to the main hall. This is so the hall and the activities room can be used at the same time with limited distraction for users.

Please do continue to book and support events in the Village Hall. Your village needs you.

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Book Group

The Book Group meets in the 'Saga Lounge' outside the Workhouse Bar on the first Thursday of every month at 8pm. We mostly obtain books from the library so there is not the expense of buying new books each month.

"The Music Shop" by Rachel Joyce

This book, set in 1988, tells the story of a record-shop owner. He has a rare gift for music therapy; he can find the perfect piece of music to remedy emotional or psychological woes. He can always help others, but it seems, he is very unaware when it comes to healing himself.

Frank has problems. We meet Frank in his shop on the aptly named Unity Street, his neighbours are a motley bunch of disenfranchised individuals, all with their own background stories. Unfortunately, the street and this group are under threat, a development company wants to buy then demolish the old buildings.

Frank is also not keeping up with the times. He only wants to sell vinyl not the new CDs, which the record companies see as the future. But Frank's life will change, all because a mysterious German woman looks into his window and faints. It takes over twenty years to reach the conclusion of this story.

Frank has listened to stories from his mother about classical music to jazz, to punk, and has learned that "Music is about silence.... The silence at the beginning of a piece of music is always different from the silence at the end... Because if you listen, the world changes. It's like falling in love. Only no one gets hurt."

Some of us found the audiobook online which helpfully interspersed excerpts from Frank's recommendations. A criticism from some of the group was because they felt that the story was rather 'contrived' or twee, but the delight in the music shone through.

Next Month's Book Group Choices

We are currently reading "The Serpent of Venice" by Christopher Moore for discussion at our meeting on 2nd December.

Our **next** books will be "The Uncommon Reader" by Alan Bennett for discussion in January and "Moonflower Murders" by Anthony Horowitz for discussion in February.

New readers always welcome. Enquiries: Carolyn 01362 688944





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Thurs 2nd Dec	Newark Antiques Fayre	7am	£37
Fri 3rd Dec	Lincoln Xmas Market	8am	£30
Fri 3 rd Dec To Sun 5 th Dec	London at Leisure 3-day break	8am	from £185
Sun 5 th Dec	Motorcycle Live - NEC	7.30am	£50
Mon 6th Dec	Thursford Christmas Spectacular	12 noon	£65
Wed 8th Dec	Wicksteed Park Xmas Show & Dinner	8am	£56
Wed 8th Dec	Tim Peake: My Journey To Space	3pm	£63
Thurs 9th Dec	John Rutter's Christmas Celebration	8.30am	£68
	Coach only to Kensington		£30
Fri 10th Dec	Gary Barlow - Birmingham	1.30pm	£102
Fri 10th Dec	Thursford Christmas Spectacular	5pm	£65
Sat II+ Dec	Waddeson Manor Xmas Market	8am	£45 (NT £35)
Sun 12th Dec	Holkham Candlelit Tour with Prosecco & Mince Pie	4.30pm	£43 `
Tues 14th Dec	Thames River Christmas Dinner Cruise	e 8am	£70
Wed 15th Dec	Thursford Christmas Spectacular	12 noon	£65
Thurs 16th Dec	Christmas with II Divo - Birmingham	Ipm	£120
Thurs/Fri 16#/17thDec	Concert Travel - Gary Barlow O2	Ipm	£37
Fri 17th Dec	London International Horse Show	7am	£80
Sat 18th Dec	Circus 1903 - London Southbank	8.30am	£70
Sun 19th Dec	Carols at The Royal Albert Hall	8.30am	£78
	Kensington Shopping/Museums		£30
Mon 20th Dec	Christmas at Blenheim Palace	10.30am	A£82 C£61
Wed 22nd Dec	Thursford Enchanted Lights	1.30pm	A£36 C£26
Thurs 30+ Dec	Harry Potter Studio Tour	9am	£75/£66

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January 2022 Sun 2nd Jan

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Bintree Bowls Club

The 2021/22 indoor bowls season at the Gallow Indoor Bowls Club at the Fakenham Leisure Centre is now in full swing. Some of our members captain teams which are entered in various leagues at Gallow. Dave Beresford runs teams in the Afternoon and Friday leagues. Alistair Hunter has a team in the Australian Pairs league and Colin Harris entered a team in the Afternoon league for the first time. Don't forget, we also have our Wednesday afternoon roll-up for any Bintree member who wishes to partake followed by a visit to a local hostelry for eats.

At the time of writing this article and with all available knowledge, Dave's team were top in the Friday league, defending the title they won in 2020. Alistair's team were top in the Australian Pairs and Colin's team had won 3 games in their first season. Well-done to all that take part!! Nothing compares to playing outdoor bowls on a beautiful summer's evening on the wonderful Bawdeswell bowling green but when playing indoors we don't have to carry waterproofs and umbrellas to ward off the possible rain showers!!

We held our Quiz and Chips night at Foxley Village Hall on 30 October 2021 hosted by Quizmaster, Frank Staple Moore. There was an amazing turnout of 84 guests. The quiz was won by a team led by Bonnie & Bryan Shingfield, affectionately called "French Connection". A great night was had by all and over £500 was raised for club funds. After the last article, I have heard that some people had wondered about Frank's middle name, Staple. At present, that will remain a closely guarded secret but, put it this way, it is etched into history on a remote fencepost.

By the time this issue will be in circulation, our AGM will have been held on 25 November 2021 at Foxley Village Hall. Our Xmas Dinner and Presentation Evening is being held on 18 December 2021 at Gallow. The final 100 club draw for this year will be made then as well. New members are always welcome and you can track us on our website, bintreebowlsclub.co.uk.

Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year to one and all!!!

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Bawdeswell Bowls Club

Autumn work has been completed and has gone very well. Good results achieved with the fungicide and I am still mowing between seven to eight millimetres every eight to ten days. In the next few days, I will be chisel tineing to about three inches in depth. This will let air down to the roots of the turf. At the moment it looks good.

Now all three clubs will be attending league meetings to arrange fixtures for the 2022 season, so if there are any players who would like to play bowls starting mid-April we have spare bowls to help get new players started. We supply a team shirt and we play all standards of bowls.

You can contact Bawdeswell Bowls club on 01362688615, Mob 07796964574 Email paul.digby5@hotmail.co.uk



Bridge Club

Sponsored by Bawdeswell Village Hall (Registered Charity No 800970)

The JayCee Bridge Club meets in the Village Hall on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of every month at 2pm and on Friday afternoons at 2 pm. Whilst we aspire to play well, our range of bridge abilities means that it's really bridge for fun. No regular partners are needed. If you think you might like to start playing bridge then you are welcome to come along and watch to begin with.

Please contact Roger or Patsy for information, or to confirm a session is to take place. Contact: Roger Fryatt 01362 688627 or Patsy Catchpole 01362 688352



Bawdeswell Knit and Natter

There are **no meetings** in **December.**

Dates for January are 13th and 27th.

2 - $4\ pm$ at the Village Hall.

Come along and join us. New and current members welcome.

Refreshments will be available.

Enquiries: Josie Beach 01362 688869.



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Cafe Philosophique

Finding good reasons for everyday beliefs

First **Tuesday** of the month, **7:30 pm** in the Saga Lounge behind the Workhouse Bar.

Next meetings: Tuesday 7th December - "Mysogyny": Andrew

Tuesday 4th January - "Lateral Thinking": Peter

Contact: Peter: 01362 688944



Foxley Village Hall Coffee Morning

Foxley Village Hall Committee are looking forward to welcoming everyone to their Christmas coffee morning on **WEDNESDAY 15**th **December at 10:30** am. There will be the usual mix of coffee, cakes, mince pies and chat with all tables socially distanced, plus a raffle.



Flower Arranging

No flower arranging in December or January. Wreath making supplies can be collected from the church on Thursday 9th December between 10-12pm. Completed wreaths to be returned on Friday 10th December before 4pm. Contact details: Julie Smith 01362 688949 jrsohs1@btinternet.com



Iceni Choir

Based in Reepham, the choir has come back to rehearse on **Wednesday evenings from 7pm until 8.15pm** initially to re-establish the choir after the long break.

We meet at the Methodist Church on Station Roard. Iceni is a mixed choir singing anything from 'Bach to Broadway'. Check out the website www.icenichoir.org for more information or call the MD James Lilwall on 01362 688499

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Find us on Facebook: Bawdeswell Little Monkeys.



Short Mat Bowls

Foxley Village Hall Every Monday and Friday **2 - 4pm**To find out more, call **Dennis** on **01362 688099** or **Carole** on **01362 688567**.



Wensum Valley Birdwatching Society

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

Thursday 9th December – Christmas Social.

Thursday **20th January 2022** – Better Birding (including Low Carbon Birding) by Nick Moran.

Outdoor Events: Sunday **2**nd **January 2022** - Annual Bird Count. (Teams of 2-4 try to record as many species as possible within the WVBS recording area between 8.00am and 4.30pm. We report back at the village hall as for indoor meetings but at 4.30.) Anyone wishing to join us should contact the Chair on wvbs.chair@gmail.com.

Saturday 29th **January** – Hickling NWT and Stubb Mill for raptor roost. Contact **Sue Gale** – **wvbs.publicity@gmail.com** – for more information.

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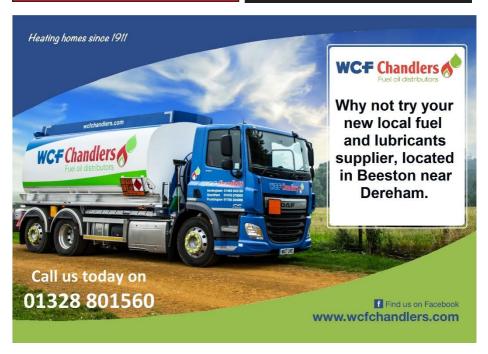
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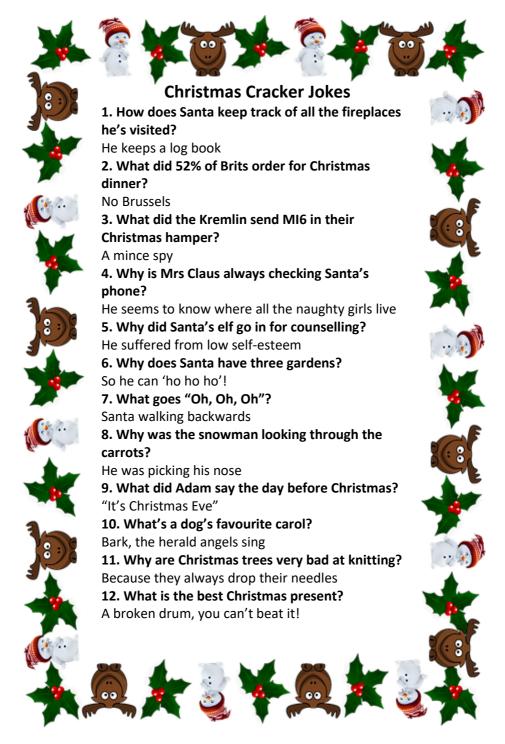
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His number is <u>07909 901015</u>. Please contact him when you need to book a Community Car.

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In order to protect passengers and drivers, we are required to carry out a brief 'risk assessment' which will include questions relating to your mobility and covid status.

I am extremely grateful to all the volunteer drivers, past and present who have made this role very pleasant and easy for me. I am sure that with David as Coordinator the scheme will continue to operate successfully, and I wish you all the very best for the future.

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November Quiz Answers

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2.	Tutankhamun	7.	St Andrew
3.	1605	8.	Thanksgiving
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5.	Plot to blow up King James 1 and Parliament	10.	. Laika



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Update to PPGs from Elmham Group of Practices - November 2021

Our last update to you all was in mid-August, from Judith Wood. As she informed you then, Judith was planning to retire at the end of September, and we hope we gave her a good send off! I know she very much appreciated the visit on her last day from Roger Thornely and Liz Waddy, on behalf of the PPGs, to present her with a gift.

The Senior Management Team have been running the practice since then, but we have our new Practice Manager, Lian Tan, joining us from 8th November. Lian has a background in management as well as experience in the health sector. She has moved with her whole family to Norfolk, and we are very excited about her joining us.

We have been having discussions about when to restart our Patient Participation Group meetings. It seems sensible for all the reasons that Roger and Liz have shared with us that we delay meeting till the middle of January. Bawdeswell village hall seems to be the most convenient and best placed venue and I would imagine that this will be a significant meeting that Lian and all the partners will want to attend.

Operational issues.

<u>Telephone system</u>: We continue to hear from patients about the difficulties in getting through on the telephone. We are sorry that this remains the case and are genuinely grateful for the feedback that we receive from patients alerting us to specific issues.

The background to this was covered in Judith's last update. At its simplest we have a 'prepandemic' phone system in a 'post-pandemic' world: it is just not up to the job that we are now needing it to do. The good news is that our new phone system goes live on 3rd December. This will not be the single solution to the problem, but the increased functionality will remove some of the annoying failings and shortcomings that the current system has; please bear with us as we learn how to make best use of the system in the first few weeks. Our advice to patients is still to avoid phoning in at 8.30am unless there is an urgent or pressing need to contact the surgery at that time.

The partners regularly change the outgoing message on the phone to reflect the operational circumstances of the day. Same day telephone triage appointments are offered for both urgent and routine problems all day from Monday to Thursday and until midday on Friday. On Friday afternoons the clinicians can't accept non-urgent cases and expect to complete them before the start of the weekend.

Appointments: Patients are asked to phone up and tell the Receptionists what their problem is so they can be directed to the most appropriate clinician or team. After a consultation, if the doctor or Nurse Practitioner thinks that a face-to-face appointment is needed, or if the patient feels that their problem cannot be dealt with over the telephone or on a video consultation, then an appointment is given for later that same day or on another agreed day.

The demands on Primary Care throughout the pandemic, due to both increased workload as well as reduced numbers of clinicians, means this is the most efficient way of meeting the

well as reduced numbers of clinicians, means this is the most efficient way of meeting the health needs of our communities. It is not how General Practice used to be organised, but a lot of patients find this new way of working more convenient and for those who really do need to 'see the doctor' then this can be discussed over the phone.

Patients are often surprised however at how much can be achieved remotely and it means that many more patients can be dealt with, without the long waiting times for appointments that would be the inevitable consequence of an open-access system.

We regularly discuss the timetable for a return to 'business as normal' which may include a combination of both pre-bookable appointments (as in the past) and remote consultations. We are limited by the uncertainties of the pandemic and need to ensure the surgery buildings remain a place of safety, adhering to Health and Safety and Infection Prevention and Control guidance, to minimise the risk to all our patients, but especially our most vulnerable. We will naturally keep you all informed about these plans as they evolve.

<u>Dispensary:</u> We have made some changes over recent months to improve the service in the dispensary. Staff numbers have been increased to deal with the almost 20% increase in items which the staff are processing every month; the current monthly average is now at a level previously only seen at times of peak demand, typically at Easter and Christmas. There is now also a second delivery driver to work alongside the one we have always had, in order to cope with the number of home deliveries to our elderly house-bound patients. The outside second hatch at Elmham surgery also allows more patients to be served. We still aim to maintain the turnaround time of three working days for routine prescriptions, as well as dealing with the urgent same day prescriptions generated by clinicians and pharmacists.

<u>Staffing:</u> We are fully recruited in our Reception and Dispensary departments. Staff still need their holidays and of course need time off when they or their children get Covid or have to self-isolate. We are very proud of how the staff have worked in these patient-facing roles throughout the pandemic whilst they too have been dealing with the stresses of what we are going through. Our secretarial team is also responding to new ways of working and are taking on much more responsibility in communicating with patients and dealing with problems that previously might have been managed by clinicians.

<u>Toftwood Medical Centre</u>: Elmham Group of Practices continues to hold the APMS contract to deliver care to patients in Toftwood. This is an important part of the ethos and business model of the organisation and it supports the Dereham practices and whole patient population. We are looking to move the surgery in to temporary accommodation in the Spring due to the inadequacies of the current building, and this will also be a hub for some of the clinical and support staff employed by the Primary Care Network. The work done in Toftwood complements the work at Elmham and Swanton Morley surgeries and does not detract from the delivery of care at these other sites.

Army: The role that Elmham Group of Practices has had in managing the Medical Centre at Robertson Army Barracks comes to an end on 30th November. We have provided clinical cover for the Light Dragoons and more recently the Queens Dragoon Guards for over 15 years; it has been a privilege to have been involved with them, particularly so during the times of conflict when they were deployed abroad.

Vaccination programmes at Swanton Morley surgery.

Judith reported last time that we had delivered first and second covid vaccinations to the patients in mid Norfolk on behalf of the Primary Care Network of local GP surgeries. Over the summer the team has continued to deliver this to younger adults and are now engaged in rolling out the booster programme. In total 39,283 jabs have been given, and from October over 1,600 further booster jabs to the Clinically Extremely Vulnerable and frontline health care workers have been given, both at Swanton Morley surgery and in care homes.

From the outset, back in late 2020, the partners felt there was a clinical imperative to set this up as we were probably the only organisation locally that could roll it out so rapidly and deliver it so efficiently. The project team and volunteers have worked incredibly hard - often at weekends and anti-social hours - to do this within the very strict guidelines that the Department of Health has imposed.

The mass vaccination site at Dereham Hospital is now up-and-running and we will be considering whether there is still a need to offer Covid booster jabs to the community in the coming months.

The roll out of flu vaccination has now started for our own patients, also out of Swanton Morley surgery, but as in previous years is reliant on supplies coming in from NHS England. We have restarted offering appointment for blood tests and ECGs at Swanton Morley surgery on non-vaccination days and are pleased that the NNUH ultrasound team have returned to the building to start doing scans again.

Long Term Conditions.

We are aware that many patients with Long Term Conditions who need regular blood tests and follow up have been concerned over the last 18 months about their care. At the peak of the pandemic we were advised to put all of this on hold but were then able to provide a limited service with nurses contacting patients and doing virtual reviews. Over the last few months nurses have been operating as normal a service as possible and are now making significant progress in catching up with all patients needing a review.

Pandemic issues.

We continue to remain concerned about this coming winter and how the NHS will cope with the ongoing threat of Covid and the very real risk of an Influenza outbreak. We have regular updates from the Norfolk and Norwich and Queen Elizabeth, Kings Lynn, Hospitals and are aware of the tremendous pressures they are under and how hard their staff are working. There is an obvious impact on our patients whose planned and unscheduled care is affected. We are doing our best to expedite the follow up of those patients whose clinical condition needs prioritising.

The Department of Health regularly provides GP surgeries with advice on maintaining a safe environment. For the time being we still ask patients to attend with a face-covering unless exempt. Staff will still be wearing PPE during the consultations.

We are very grateful for the support and words of encouragement that we continue to receive from our patients. These are very much appreciated and mean a lot in these difficult times. Dr Simon Carroll

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PARISH COUNCILS

MEETING OF BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 4th NOVEMBER 2021 AT 7.30pm

Present: B.Cunliffe (Chair), J. Mallen, A. Toomey, A Hartley-Walder, K. Ewing, R. Reed and Mrs. J Boxall (Clerk). Members of the public – 1

District Councillor G. Bambridge, County Councillor B. Borrett and the Police were not in attendance.

Play area – The Clerk circulated a report on the play area for consideration and confirmed that only £68.99 of the £2500 2021/22 budget allocation had been used. Following discussion, the Council unanimously agreed to accept a quote for £1928 for the complete replacement of the toddler swings. For safety, it was agreed to remove the seats and chains until the replacement could be installed, which was likely to be in the spring.

To consider projects / expenses for precept budget

Projects put forward for consideration included the play area – replacement of surfacing under the play equipment and the repair / replacement of equipment as necessary. Queens Jubilee – as it was understood Breckland were offering grants of up to £500 to cover celebrations it may not be necessary for the Council to budget for this. The installation of a noticeboard at Bluebell Rise and potential repair / resurfacing of the village hall driveway were also raised for consideration.

Planning applications - No new planning applications were received.

Future agenda items - precept considerations.

Councillor resignation - Cllr Cunliffe tendered his resignation and thanked fellow Councillors for their support. Thanks were extended to Cllr Cunliffe for his dedication to the community and his role as Chairman. Breckland District Council have been notified and the Notice of Vacancy will be displayed once received. Cllr Mallen agreed to chair the meetings until a new Chair is elected.

Other matters - The Council contacted Highways regarding the verge cutting at Adams Pit. A further email was sent requesting details of when the verges were last cut but no response has yet been received.

A quote was received from Ravenscroft to carry out the tree survey, in accordance with the financial standing orders, it was agreed to accept the quote. It is hoped that the report would be available for consideration at the next meeting.

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Finance

The balance of the Community account as at end of October 2021 was confirmed as £27656.54, Business Money Manager was £2259.00 and the Project Bawdeswell account (earmarked reserves) remains £6655.96. The Community Car Scheme balance confirmed as £1169.86 as the Community Car Scheme grant of £750 was received.

The next meetings of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday 2nd December 2021 and 3rd February 2022 starting at 7.30pm. There is no meeting in January. It is hoped these meetings will be held at the Village Hall with social distancing measures in place. Members of the public are warmly invited to attend.

If you have any concerns please contact the Parish Clerk Jo Boxall, White House, Pettywell, Reepham, NR10 4RN, Tel: 01603 879480, Email: bawdeswellpc@hotmail.com

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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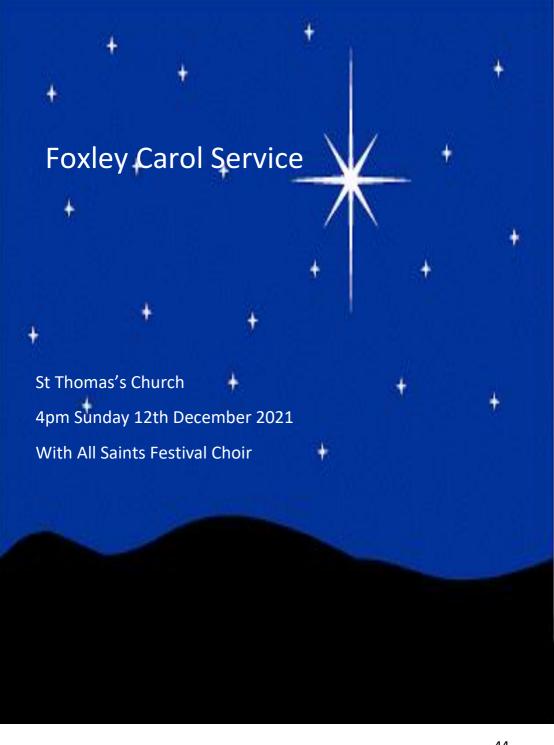


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Now Christmas is fast approaching and the **Christmas Wreath Fair** takes place on **Saturday 11th December from 10am - 1pm in the Church.**

We are looking for wreath makers this year. We supply all the items you'll need including cut foliage, ribbon, bows, decorations etc. These can be collected from the church on **Thursday 9th Dec between 10am – 12pm.** If you can't make that time all the items will be left in the church, so collect at your convenience. All we ask is you return the wreath(s) to the Church on **Friday 10th before 4pm** when we'll be setting up ready for the fair to open on Saturday at 10am. If you would be interested in making a wreath(s) at home please let us know. There are spaces for craft and seasonal stalls; although there are restrictions so do let us know if you would like a pitch.

Thanks again to Julie Smith and her helpers for making this event possible!

2022 events:

Jan 22 nd	100 Club Members Reception	Church View	7pm
May 28 th	Race Night & Supper	Village Hall	7pm for 7.30pm
March 26 th	Table Top Sale	Village Hall	10am - 2pm
July 31st	Festival Players	Bylaugh Hall	Gates open at 12pm
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Bawdeswell Church News



At the end of October, we enjoyed meeting Bishop Jane, the new Bishop of Lynn, and were joined by members of the Reepham benefice for a short service of Morning Prayer in the church followed by coffee at the Village Hall Hub. Many thanks to the warm welcome extended at the Hub. Bishop Jane's home is now in Dereham and we look forward to getting to know her better. We all took to her.

Then on the first Sunday of November we had the long-awaited visit from Bishop Graham of Norwich who had spent the week in Glasgow at the COP-26 gathering. He was in great form, had the congregation laughing, and gave us a thought-provoking sermon, "facing the future by what we have learnt in the past". It was a lovely service and helped with the singing of the All Saints Festival Choir. The collection has been sent to the Bishop's urgent appeal in support of refugees arriving in Norfolk and Waveney. Thank you for those who responded generously to that; it raised £156.

A special thank you to Julie and Jackie for the flowers, and Ruth and Sandi for the refreshments.

The following Sunday was Remembrance Sunday, well attended again, and also the choir was back with us.

At the reading of the fallen in both World Wars, we also named those killed in Bawdeswell's plane crash and Foxley's two plane crashes.

Thank you all who took part in different parts of the service. It is always a very moving occasion involving several individuals' participation.

This is a busy season for the Festival Choir. They are due back for the Advent Carol service on 28th November and Christmas Carol Service on 19th December. Don't miss these. They will both be followed with mulled wine and seasonal nibbles.

Christmas Day is on a Saturday this year and the service will be a Family Communion at 10.30 with carols followed by Buck's Fizz and mince pies.

There is no service in Bawdeswell on Sunday 26th.

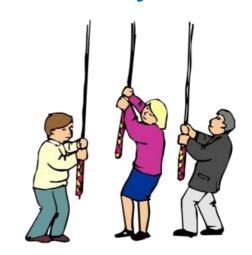
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I can look back over seventy Christmases - so, let's go back to 1947 - when I was three and a half. Sights and smells of Christmas Eve - my Granny took me to Church for the Blessing of the Crib. There was the sweet smell of incense mingled with polish. There were candles and greenery everywhere. The Crib was large and I looked at it with a sense of wonder - I couldn't put it into words but the long-ago memory of Christ Church on Christmas Eve is with me still.

Christmas Day was a family occasion - Grandparents, Parents, Aunts and Uncles all crowded round the dining table. Fuel was in short supply but Granny had somehow obtained some extra coal and there was a much bigger fire than usual. Yes, we had a Christmas tree - but I didn't receive loads and loads of presents. My pride and joy was a highly coloured 'humming top' - does anybody remember them? I'm told that the grown - ups got a bit fed up with the humming and erratic movements on the floor. Apparently, my father hid it away for the rest of the day!

Now in 2021 we are once more preparing for Christmas. Carols, crackers, a decorated tree - and in many homes a real feast and a host of presents. I hope that each one off us will have a happy and peaceful day, remembering that our celebrations are centred on a stable in Bethlehem and the birth of Jesus. May we echo the angel's song " Glory to God in the highest and peace to His people on earth ".

Every Blessing and Happy Christmas,

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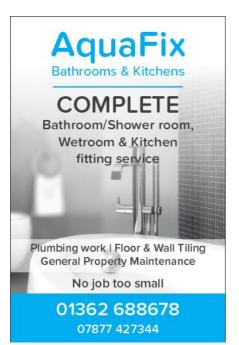
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Date	Sun 5 th Dec	Sun 12 th Dec	Sun 19 th Dec	Sat 25 th Dec
Season	Advent 2	Advent 3	Advent 4	Christmas
Bawdeswell	10.30am HC	The 10:30	4pm Carol Service	10.30am HC
Foxley	5pm Evening Prayer	4pm Carol Service	-	-

Date	Sun 2 nd	Sun 9 th	Sun 16 th	Sun 23 rd
Date	Jan	Jan	Jan	Jan
Season	Christmas 2	Epiphany 1	Epiphany 2	Epiphany 3
Bawdeswell	10.30am HC	The 10:30	10.30am HC	10.30am Words & Praise
Foxley	-	-	-	-

Services from Bawdeswell are usually available on Zoom.

Details of how to join in are detailed in the Weekly Church Bulletin which can be viewed on the Benefice website at:

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