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#### **Hello Spring**

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You'll find many tradespeople advertising in this magazine who might be able to help plus opportunities to get involved in the community. There are many various ways in which we can help our communities and we are always looking for volunteers. So please don't be shy, come along and see what you can do.

Anne and team

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### **WHAT'S ON**

#### **March Events**

Event	Date	Location/Time
Foxley Coffee Morning	Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Foxley Village Hall 10.30am
Bawdeswell Parish Council	Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall 7pm
Foxley Community Evening	Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Foxley Village Hall 6-9pm
Mobile Library	Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar	From 11am at Paradise Road
Cafe Philosophique	Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall 7.30pm
Knit and Natter	Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall 2-4pm
Book Group	Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall 7.30pm
Bawdeswell Village Cinema	Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall 6.30 for 7.30pm
Dance Workshop	Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall 1-3pm
Knit and Natter	Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall 2-4pm
Foxley Bingo	Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Foxley Village Hall 6.30 for 7pm
The Laurel and Hardy Cabaret	Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Bawdeswell Village Hall 1-3pm
Bawdeswell Village Cinema Quiz	Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> Apr	Bawdeswell Village Hall 6.30 for 7.30pm
Foxley Community Evening	Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> Apr	Foxley Village Hall 6-9pm
Bawdeswell Parish Council	Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Bawdeswell Village Hall 7pm
Bawdeswell Village Cinema	Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Bawdeswell Village Hall 6.30 for 7.30pm

#### **OTHER LOCAL EVENTS**

Event	Date	Location/Time
Reepham WI Meeting	Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> Mar	7.30pm St. Michaels Church Hall, Reepham, see page 9 for details
Reepham Gardening Club	Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	7.30pm Reepham Town Hall, see page 9 for details

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### **WHAT'S ON**

Regular Events	Time/Date	Location
Zumba Fitness	Mon. 10 – 11am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
FitSteps	Mon. 11 – 12pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Short Mat Bowls	Mon. 2 – 4pm	Foxley Village Hall
Zumba Fitness	Mon. 7 – 8pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Hub Cafe	Tues. 10 – 12pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Slimming World	Tues. 5.30pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Bridge Club	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues. 7pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Youth Football Club	Wed. 6 - 8pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Fitsteps	Thurs. 7 – 8pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Bridge Club	Fri. 2pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Short Mat Bowls	Fri. 2 – 4pm	Foxley Village Hall
Hatha Yoga	Sat. 8.45 – 9.45am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Games Afternoon	Sat. 1.30 – 4.30pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall

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#### Plants will also be on sale!

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

New members and visitors always welcome. Members, £1.00 non-members £3.00 (inc. tea/coffee and cake).

For more information call Jeff Johnson on 01362 680066 or visit our website: www.Reepham garden club.org.uk or email Jeff at jeffandcaroljohnson@yahoo.co.uk

#### **REEPHAM WI**

### Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm.

#### Susan Dawson. - Bed and Breakfast to Bed & Bondage:

Her talk tells her story of how she got into the Bed & Breakfast trade, after coming to Norfolk from London and how she accidentally became a Miss Whiplash!

It is a funny talk, with various stories about the people that she came into contact with. The talk is definitely not offensive or rude, in fact it will open your eyes to another world.

#### Location: St Michael's Church Hall, Reepham.

For more details or 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**

#### **Update from Reepham & District Rotary**

#### Ukraine appeal tops £7,000.

Club members and many in the community have been contributing part of their heating allowance and general giving to aid the people of Ukraine. In addition to money now being sent to Kyiv, the Club has paid for eight generators which will arrive near the front line in February.

#### New year thank you from Sunshine Memory Cafe.

A big thank you to all those who have made financial contributions to the Sunshine Memory Cafe, and particularly to Reepham Post Office who chose to donate their Christmas Collection to the Sunshine Cafe and to Jeannette Overton who donated her 2022 Community at Heart Award. These and other donations will help us to continue to provide a warm welcoming atmosphere with refreshment, games, music, and entertainment for all to take part in and enjoy.

The cafe for people with memory loss and their carers is organised by Reepham Rotary Club on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 10am at St Micheal's. There is no charge and no need to book. For more information call Peter Williams on 01362 686860 or email carolynapeter@btinternet.com.

#### Planting for the future.

Reepham & District Rotary club are planting 500 trees of mixed variety in sites around Reepham to give a useful legacy to the town. The effort has been supported by grants from Norfolk County Council to cover the trees, canes, and guards. This will form part of the Queen's Green Canopy and the Jubilee Trees for Norfolk projects. The first phase involved 180 trees planted at the primary school by Rotary volunteers braving January's cold weather and hard ground. Further plantings and maintenance at the High School will be carried out by students to provide protection and extra drainage for their award winning allotment project. Rotary volunteers and Booton residents will be planting more trees on Booton Common, while remaining stock will be planted at Whitwell Hall. The sites have been chosen to offer most benefit to the people of Reepham and to allow for ease of maintenance and irrigation in the early life of the trees.

Rotarian Roy Sherlock, President elect of the club said that this was just part of Rotary's commitment to a sustainable future. "We are always on the look out for opportunities and would be happy to work with any individual or organisations with an eye to the future of our planet and our community."

Further information Roy Sherlock <u>roysherlock@btinternet.co</u>m 07795 804452 Richard Cooke <u>publicity@reephamrotary.co.uk</u> 07889 036852.

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#### **LETTERS**

#### Bawdeswell traffic issues -an update

Following my article in the February edition of The Reeve's Tale, I can now let you know the developments on these issues for our village.

#### Wind farm cabling projects -Vattenfall and Hornsea

**Vattenfall** have now responded to my detailed questions by restating that they are still at least 6 months away from the works beginning and that exact details on traffic numbers and timings are still to be determined and will be announced closer to the time. They have said this will be "well in advance so that the community know before they begin work in and around Bawdeswell". I will continue to follow this up with them to see that any impact this may have on our village is kept to the minimum possible level.

**Hornsea** have now provided a detailed response to my questions and have stated that "no contractor traffic will travel along the B1145 between Reepham and Bawdeswell as this is not an identified route within the Construction Traffic Management Plan". I have examined the CTMP in detail and this does set out zero construction traffic on this road and that penalties will apply to contractors where there is non-compliance which will include "disciplinary proceedings against individual employee breaches".

On the face of it, this is good news for Bawdeswell and its residents. However, I have asked them to let me have the unique identifiers that construction traffic will be using so I can share with our residents in order we can check this for ourselves. I have also asked a series of detailed questions about the exceptional circumstances where suppliers can "make use of the wider highway network to travel to site". In addition to this, at a meeting I had with Cawston and Reepham Parish Councillors mid Feb, we discussed that the CTMP has not been signed off by Norfolk Council and that Vattenfall and Hornsea are considering a revised joint plan. More on this should be known by early March and I will continue work closely to represent Bawdeswell. The performance of our Parish Council -you will know from previous editions of The Reeve's Tale that I have been critical of the performance of our Parish Council on a number of important projects. I know from my discussions with other PC's that this is not confined to Bawdeswell and there are mitigating circumstances:- the high workload, being managed by volunteers, the lack of adequate support from Norfolk County Council, etc. There is a lot that can be done though by PCs and I set out my 9 point improvement plan based on my experience as a councillor, to include initiatives such as proper induction and mentoring of new PC's, feedback and support for inadequately performing councillors, improved access and feedback to residents, etc. The Parish Clerk has now confirmed that at the Feb PC meeting "it was unanimously agreed that they did not feel that any action was appropriate". David Coles



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There is a programme of longer walks planned for 2023 as well as trialling walks of just two miles for those just beginning their walking experience.

For up to date information, please check our website http://www.derehamwaw.org.uk/,

or email Ken Hawkins: <u>ken-hawkins@tiscali.co.uk</u> or call him on 07505 426750.

#### **Conversing with the Psalms**

A new monthly ecumenical study group open to all on the fourth Wednesday of the month.

Next meeting 22nd March in Stibbard Methodist Chapel starting at 2.30 pm. Each month we will discuss a chosen psalm, read from different versions of the Bible and comparing how the wording might change the sense. Tea and refreshments available.

More Info? Contact Norman on nwjohnson@btinternet.com or 01362 683344.



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#### **VILLAGE NEWS**

#### **Bawdeswell Village Hall Update**

As February says goodbye and March marches in we can, hopefully, look forward to some lighter evenings and slightly warmer days. With the new month comes much going on in the Village Hall, not least of which is the builders starting work on repairing the leaking gullies in the roof at last. There will be a lot of activity around the building of course, but the builders are making access to the Hall as easy as they can while safeguarding health and safety of course. We are mindful that our hirers must be looked after during this time and we know that our wonderful band of volunteers will do all they can to make using the Hall as easy as possible during this time.

Our Tuesday Hub will still go ahead, as will Soup n Puds at the end of the month and do please continue to support these events during this month if you can. If, for any reason, the builders decide that a time has to be set aside when the Hall must be closed for safety reasons this will be announced on the social media sites – Facebook and the Hall Website.

On a lighter note we are looking ahead to the Coronation in May and have plans afoot for a free Community event at the Hall on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May. We are working with the Village School to include the children in events, competition and dance display and have other fun ideas to give the village an enjoyable celebration afternoon with a tea party feel. Please put this date in your diary and we will give more information over the next couple of months. Watch this space!

For any of you reading this, who are new to the village, or who have recently retired from work, or whose children have finally flown the nest and you have some more time on your hands – fear not! We have a fabulous bunch of volunteers in the Village who do sterling work helping to run the Hall. However, there is always room for a few more and there is no better way to get to know more people and to hear more of what's going on in the village, than to spend a few hours making coffee for hirers or helping run an event, setting out a few chairs for cinema night or helping at the summer café. There is something for everyone and we would love to welcome you into our team.

If you feel that this is something you would like know more about do, please, contact Lin Leppard – 01362 688774 for a chat or call in for a coffee on a Tuesday morning at the Hub.

#### **Contacts:**

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Friday 24th March
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Wednesday 29th March Bawdeswell Village Hall

Thursday 30th March
Litcham Methodist Church

Join us to learn something new in a lovely warm space with free tea, coffee and cake!

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They also offer a chance to meet others and have a chat with us about the services and activities you might like to access.



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#### **VILLAGE NEWS**

#### **Bawdeswell Entertainments Group**

We have less on our calendar in March because the work to rectify our Hall's roof problem will take place this month. The monthly Cinema Night will, of course, go ahead as usual.

We are working with our Volunteers to put together some new entertaining and fundraising events which will be held in our Hall in April and beyond. Watch this space next month!

The Village Hall has excellent facilities for showing films. We have a big 4 metre screen and as we now have a tv licence, we can show 'certain' tv programmes and sports events.

If you would like to see, and come to see, these sorts of things on a BIG screen, please let us know.

#### Date for your diary

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## Foxley Village Hall Coffee Morning

Foxley's February coffee morning took place on 15<sup>th</sup> February. We decided to donate the proceeds from the raffle and refreshments to the DEC Syrian and Turkish Earthquake Appeal. We raised £150, our thanks to everyone who gave so generously.

We are delighted to welcome Giles Blatchford onto Foxley's Village Hall Committee.

The Foxley Village Hall Committee have been concerned that it is very difficult to remember when the Coffee Mornings will occur in the month. We have therefore decided to change the Coffee Morning from the third Wednesday of the month to the first Wednesday of the month. Everything else will remain the same: the same warm welcome, same coffee, same cakes and same raffle. The date of the next coffee morning will therefore be 1<sup>st</sup> March at 10:30 am. If you need transport please contact Jo 688981 or for any other enquiries please contact Linda 688488 or Gillian 688955

#### Coffee morning dates for 2023

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> April
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> August
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December

#### **Community Evening**

The next Community Evening will on **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2023 from 6pm to 9 pm**. Do come and join us and meet up with your neighbours.

#### Dates for your diary

25<sup>th</sup> March Bingo doors open 6:30 pm Eyes Down 7pm

6<sup>th</sup> May Coronation Buffet Supper hopefully with live music.

This will be a ticketed event with limited tickets available so watch out for information in future editions of the Reeve's Tale.

7<sup>th</sup> October Harvest/Autumn Supper and Quiz Night



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#### Friends of Bawdeswell School (FOBS)

December was a really busy month for FOBS. The children enjoyed a Christmas crafting afternoon with their families, school discos went down a storm and our weekly 'Donut Fridays' proved to be very popular. We sold lots of Christmas cards and calendars (designed by the children) and pre-loved Christmas jumpers.

As part of our effort to encourage the buying of second hand items (good for the environment as well as our wallets!), we held a pre-loved school uniform sale in early February. Our first sale had a lot of interest so we will have more in the future.

## <u>School Fete - Saturday 17th June</u>, 12.00pm onwards, Bawdeswell School playing field.

Organising is well under way for our school fete, our first in a few years. This will be a fun afternoon for all the family, as well as an important fundraiser for the school. More details to follow but please add the date to your diaries! We would love to hear from you if:

- your business would be interested in having a pitch on the day,
- you would like to help out in some way,
- you are able to donate a raffle and/or tombola prize.

Please get in touch with us by emailing <a href="mailto:bawdeswellfriends@gmail.com">bawdeswellfriends@gmail.com</a> - we would love to hear from you!

The FOBS Team

Who are FOBS?

The Friends of Bawdeswell School (FOBS) organise fundraising activities throughout the year - the proceeds of which help to support the children and enhance their learning and enjoyment while they attend Bawdeswell Primary School.



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#### **CLUBS AND SOCIETIES**



#### **Book Group**

The Book Group now meets in the Village Hall. We meet on the second Thursday of each month, starting **at 7:30pm**. Each member pays a Group Subscription fee; currently £12. New members are welcome and will be able to come for two meetings before deciding to join the group and pay their subscription.

#### 'The Keeper of Lost Things' by Ruth Hogan

This was a debut novel, published in 2016.

The reviews promote the book as a 'charming, clever, and quietly moving debut novel; full of endless possibilities and joyful discoveries'. One review says that it explores the promises we make and break, losing and finding ourselves, the objects that hold magic and meaning for our lives, and the surprising connections that bind us.

However, our Book Group found the book less enchanting. We thought that some of the book was predictable but we enjoyed the 'vignettes' written about some of the lost items which were scattered into the chapters along the way. We found these more entertaining and pleasing to read.

The background to the story is that Anthony, a broken-hearted man, was bereaved years ago when his fiancé, Therese, was killed in a road accident. He is particularly bereft because he lost a precious item that she had given him. Since then, he has carefully collected other people's lost treasures. In his will he bequeaths the task of returning these lost items, to his assistant, Laura. The story then follows Laura in her attempts to carry out his wishes.

The story has some laugh out loud moments. However we were rather critical about the story and its repetitive nature.

#### **Next Months' Book Group Choice:**

Our next meeting is on 9<sup>th</sup> March when we will discuss "The Postscript Murders" by Elly Griffiths.

Our next book will be "A Single Thread" by Tracy Chevalier for discussion in April. Enquiries: Carolyn 01362 688944

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#### **CLUBS AND SOCIETIES**



#### **Bawdeswell Bowls Club**

Not too much to report this month, still aerating the green when the weather allows and switching as frequently as possible mainly to remove dew plus worm casts. Moss is a problem when the weather is damp and mild so we apply prestige heptasol, which when applied onto a dry surface burns the moss which then needs scarifying to remove.

The new season starts the middle of April depending on the weather. For more information call Paul on 01362688615 Mob 07796964574 email paul.digby5@hotmail.co.uk



#### **Bintree Bowls Club**

Spring is on the way! We are all looking forward to some warmer weather and playing outdoor bowls towards the end of April. The league season starts in May. All Cawston, Elmham and Age UK league fixtures have been arranged for the 2023 season and can all be seen on our website bintreebowlsclub.co.uk under FIXTURES.

Membership application forms have been circulated to all members who registered in 2022. In that year we had 35 members registered. Some joined as social members to enjoy our social life including the end of season FREE fish and chips. All are welcome to join again. New members are also welcome.

We play on Bawdeswell bowling green which is one of the best greens in Norfolk and excellently looked after and cared for by Paul Digby. Many thanks Paul!

At the time of writing this article, our teams in the indoor leagues at the Gallow Sports Centre, Fakenham are doing well. Nick Mear's team are top of the Evening League and Alistair Hunter's team is top of the Australian Pairs League. Dave Beresford's two teams are 4<sup>th</sup> out of 17 teams in the Friday league and 3<sup>rd</sup> in Division 1 of the Afternoon league. Who knows where we will finish at the end of the season?

New members are always welcome and you can track us on our website, bintreebowlsclub.co.uk

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#### **CLUBS AND SOCIETIES**



#### **Bawdeswell Knit and Natter**

Dates for March 9th and 23rd.

2 - 4 pm at the Village Hall.

Come along and join us. Refreshments will be available.

With the repairs to the Village Hall roof being carried out this month please be aware meetings may be cancelled at short notice due to accessibility. As soon as I am aware of this affecting our meetings I will be in touch. Thank you.

Enquiries: Josie Beach 01362 688869.



#### **Bell Ringing at Foxley Church**

#### Ring for the King

Throughout the country plans are being made to *Ring for the King* at the Coronation of King Charles III on 6 May 2023.

For hundreds of years church bells have rung out, not only to call communities to worship, but also to celebrate special occasions, in remembrance of others and to signify special events. They are part of the soundscape of the UK. In June 2022 we all celebrated Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee with the sound of bells. Bells also rang out with a muffled sound throughout the nation as a mark of respect at her passing in September 2022.

Following the announcement of King Charles' Coronation, the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers has initiated an appeal to recruit more ringers so they are trained in time to *Ring for the King*.

If you're interested in learning to Ring for the King, find out what it takes to become a bellringer:- https://ringfortheking.org/learning-to-ring/

You can learn to ring the bells at St Thomas Church, Foxley.

Contact: David Wheeler on 07909 901015 or 01362 688796

Email: davidawheeler@skv.com



#### **Bridge Club**

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The JayCee Bridge Club meets in the Village Hall on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of every month at 7pm and on Friday afternoons at 2pm. 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.

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#### **CLUBS AND SOCIETIES**



#### Cafe Philosophique

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We now meet in Bawdeswell Village Hall, every first Tuesday at 7:30. Everyone coming is asked to contribute to the cost of our room hire fee.

Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March** – "The Language of Courtship". We continue, hopefully, to learn and to entertain, on a wide range of subjects.

Contact: Peter: 01362 688944



#### **Foxley Village Hall Coffee Morning**

**NEW DATE** - The next coffee morning will take place on **Wednesday 1**<sup>st</sup> **March at 10:30 am**. There will be the usual mix of coffee, cakes, chat plus a raffle.



#### **Short Mat Bowls**

Foxley Village Hall Every Monday and Friday **2 - 4pm**New members welcome.

To find out more, call Frank on 01362 688089 or Carole on 01362 688567.



### **Little Monkeys Parent and Toddler Group**

Bawdeswell Village Hall every Friday morning during term time, 10am – 12pm. £2 for you and your child, 50p for each additional child. Includes snacks. For more information, contact **Tara** on **01362 422212**.

Find us on Facebook: Bawdeswell Little Monkeys.



### **Wensum Valley Birdwatching Society**

Indoor meetings at Great Witchingham Village Hall at 7.30pm. All are welcome but there is a small charge for non-members.

**16**<sup>th</sup> **March** – Drew Lyness on the Mid-Yare Valley (Strumpshaw Fen and around).

**OUTDOOR** - Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Sculthorpe Moor.

For further information on any events please refer to the website or email wvbs.publicity@gmail.com



## Prize Bingo

Foxley Village Hall

Saturday

March 25th

Doors open: 6:30 pm

Eyes down: 7:00 pm

Bar Raffle

#### **SERVICES**



## Community Car Scheme: Bawdeswell, Bylaugh, Foxley

2022 has been another busy year for the Community Car Scheme! We have covered over 60 journeys which is a fantastic achievement with very few volunteer drivers

A very big thank you to our volunteer drivers who by giving their time to help others, contribute so much to our local community. I am especially grateful for the voluntary service of Liz Ollier, Phil Ollier and Roger Fryatt who after many years' service have retired from the scheme in 2022. Our heartfelt thanks to you all.

I feel strongly that, as the demand upon our NHS grows, we should help each other to attend medical appointments they are hard enough to get in the first place. I know that requests for help under the CCS are a last resort so it becomes doubly important to offer help if we can.

But my fear for 2023 is that <u>unless we can recruit some more volunteer</u> <u>drivers, then this scheme will not be able to provide the service we would all</u> like to provide.

So I would urge you to consider whether you could give a little time for an occasional journey to help a neighbour attend a medical appointment, whether it be to the N&N or a local doctor's surgery? You will be reimbursed for mileage expenses.

Please give me a ring to volunteer - David Wheeler on 07909 901015.

Meantime, do keep the requests for assistance coming in and we will try our best to help if a volunteer driver is available. Thank you and best wishes for the New Year.



**Current Opening Hours and Locations** 

TuesdayBawdeswell Church9.00am - 12.00pmFridayBawdeswell Church9.00am - 12.00pm



Saturday 1st April

## at Bawdeswell Village Hall

## **Proceeds to Village Hall Roof Fund**

Either make up your own team of 6-8 or join up with others at the hall.

This is a light hearted fun Quiz with rounds on Films, Film Music, TV,

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#### **SERVICES**





#### **Advance Notice**

#### **Dispensary Opening Hours**

From Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023 the Dispensary will close daily at lunchtime between 12:00pm - 14:00pm

to help ensure prescriptions are assembled within our timescales.

Please collect your prescriptions outside of these hours.

### **Dispensary New Opening Hours**

#### **Elmham Surgery**

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Monday	8:30 – 12:00	14:00 - 18:30
Tuesday	8:30 – 12:00	14:00 - 18:30
Wednesday	8:30 – 12:00	14:00 - 18:00
Thursday	8:30 – 12:00	14:00 – 18:30
Friday	8:30 – 12:00	14:00 – 18:30
Saturday	CLOSED	
Sunday	CLOSED	

#### **Swanton Morley Surgery**

Monday	8:30-12:00	14:00 - 18:00
Tuesday	8:30-12:00	14:00 - 18:00
Wednesday	8:30-12:00	14:00 – 18:00
Thursday	8:30-12:00	14:00 – 18:00
Friday	8:30-12:00	14:00 – 18:00
Saturday	CLOSED	
Sunday	CLOSED	

All other services are open as usual.

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#### **SERVICES**

#### **DEREHAM SHOPPER BUS – Service No. 80**

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Foxley (adjacent Chapel Road) 1.34pm

Bawdeswell (opposite Black Horse Meadow) 1.36pm

# **SERVICES**



#### MOBILE LIBRARY

# Tuesday 7th March

# Note changed times

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BAWDESWELL CHAUCER CLOSE 11.45 – 12.00

FOXLEY VILLAGE HALL 12:10 – 12.25

### **Breckland Mobile Food Store**

This new community facility is available to Bawdeswell and Foxley Residents.



See bland Makila Food Show

# The Breckland Mobile Food Store Update

The van, unfortunately, is still under repair and is not expected to be back before the end of March. As soon as we have a date for our return I will let Jo at the Village Hall know and also, keep an eye on social media. We looked in to providing an alternative mobile service and due to the conditions of our trading licence this was sadly not possible. We are committed to provide our customers with ongoing support whilst the mobile food store is being repaired. There are food banks, hubs, community fridges and pantries that are available. If anyone is unable to attend any of the hubs please call Donna on the 07407 600250 and we will endeavour to help. Also if anyone would like to call just for a chat, we would love to hear from you.

Location and timings of Food Banks, Hubs, Community Fridges and Pantries

Dereham Mid Norfolk Food Bank: Monday 1pm – 3pm 35 Neatherd Rd, Dereham Friday 1pm – 3pm

Dereham Wellspring Food Cabin: Wednesday 10am – 12 noon

35 Neatherd Rd, Dereham Friday 6pm – 8pm

Dereham Community Fridge: Monday – Friday 10am – 1pm

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# **PARISH COUNCILS**

# MEETING OF BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY 2023 AT 7pm

Present: J. Mallen (Chair), A Hartley-Walder (Vice-Chair), J. Lilwall, A. Toomey, R. Reed, Mrs. J Boxall (Clerk), County Councillor B. Borrett Members of the public 4 District Councillor G. Bambridge and the Police were not in attendance

#### **Breckland Call for Sites**

County Councillor Borrett highlighted the importance of responding to the current Breckland Local Plan policy consultation as it is understood that this will form the basis for consideration of proposed sites (Draft plan expected October); 'In January 2023 Breckland Council approved the Issues and Options document for public consultation. This is a key part of the update of the Local Plan and is the first of several rounds of public consultation in the local plan preparation process. The document provides an introduction and some background information about Breckland covering important topic areas including both the amount, type and location of future housing development; the Economy; the Built and natural environment; climate change; sustainable construction; transport and provision of infrastructure. For each topic, there is a commentary followed by a question or set of questions allowing people to express their views and suggestions. The consultation will formally start in February 2023.' (Breckland website)

At the time of publication no further details were yet available. The Council will consider their response at the March meeting and encourage residents to participate in the consultation.

#### **BT Phone box**

Photos were forwarded to BT and they have agreed to add the phone box to 2023 repainting list – they get painted between April and October but no firm date can be given. A new card phone had recently been installed.

#### **Kings Coronation**

County Cllr Borrett confirmed his support for the Bawdeswell community group's application for a grant from Breckland for the Kings Coronation. The Parish Council agreed to contribute £500 towards the Village's planned events.

# **Public Works Board Loan application**

The application (and further information requested) has been submitted. The Council are awaiting approval before being able to draw on the loan for the repair of the Village Hall roof.

Cllr Lilwall confirmed that he had agreed to oversee the completion of the roof project with work starting on 1st March. A 6 week window has been allocated for the works. It is understood that there may be some disruption to Village Hall access and access to the recycling bins but this will be kept to a minimum. It was confirmed that over £37000 had been raised from donations and grants so the need to draw on the full amount of the PWLB loan was reducing.





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# PARISH COUNCILS

#### Bawdeswell continued:

#### Other matters

It was confirmed that the A frame climber on the play area will be removed as soon as weather allows, and that no update had yet been received regarding the future management of Bawdeswell Heath by Norfolk Wildlife Trust.

#### **Finance**

The balance of the Community account as at 31st January was confirmed as £20415.48. Business Money Manager was £34894.88.

#### May elections – Reminder!

On 4th May the local Council elections will be held. Some of our Councillors have said that they will be standing down from office so it is going to be important to recruit new prospective Councillors and find residents willing to put themselves forward for election. If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor, why not come along to one of the Council meetings and see what goes on or if you are interested in standing for election please see the Parish Council website (Councillors) for further information and the nomination pack / guidance notes. The deadline for the receipt of Nominations at Breckland is Tuesday 4 April – 4pm, 2023.

Further information on Standing for Election can be found on the Electoral Commission website at:

Nomination papers – Parish Elections England (DOC) | Electoral Commission.

The next meetings of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March and 6<sup>th</sup> April 2023 starting at 7.00pm. This meeting will be held at the Village Hall. Members of the public are warmly invited to attend. The Council usually meet on the first Thursday of every month except for January & August.

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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# **CHURCH NEWS**

# The Friends of Bawdeswell Church 'protecting & enhancing this unique building for the future'



The Friends year really kicked off on Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> January when we held the annual Friends 100 club members reception. It's always a great evening to catch up, and our thanks must go to James and Peter for opening up Church View and hosting the party.

Over 70 members attended and a great evening was had by everyone. Many thanks to all those who provided the delicious food. It's the one occasion where you don't have to buy a ticket or bring a raffle prize!

We have 98 100 club members, so thank you to everyone for your continued or new support, its greatly appreciated by us all. You are never too late to join, membership is £26 and your number is put in to 4 quarterly draws, first prize being £100! If you are interested and you would like us to hit the magic 100, please do get in touch or find a membership form at the back of the church.

The friends have continued to contribute financially to keeping the building in good order and this year a number of projects are being explored. In the meantime we pay for the general up keep like insurance and electricity costs, all of which have gone up tremendously as we know.

We have also confirmed the date with the International Festival Players, Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July at Bylaugh Hall, more details to follow.

#### **2023** events:

July 23<sup>rd</sup> - International Festival Players, Twelfth Night at Bylaugh Hall. 12 for 2pm

All ticket information and further enquiries from 01362 688499 or pjlilwall@hotmail.com

James Lilwall – Chairman, David Shannon – Treasurer, Peter Jervis – 100 Club Secretary Committee Members – Robin Taylor, Sandi Taylor, Angela Shannon, Jamie Duncan, Melanie Pratt, Jo Porter, Anne Toomey and Josie Beach.



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# CHURCH NEWS

#### **Bawdeswell Church News**



Services continued throughout February with their usual pattern at 1030 every Sunday. We hoped to keep this up in the coming months with the help of visiting priests but at the time of writing this is not certain. Our congregation numbers remain high and we will ensure there is a regular service here of one sort or another every Sunday at 1030. Thank you for your support.

On Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February we had the wedding of Melissa Wilson and Thomas Bennett of Beehive Way. A happy and joyful time for them and the church. Music was provided by our organist James Lilwall, and soloists were Jane Ewing and Dawn Williamson.

Father Christopher kept a promise and returned specially to conduct the wedding.

Next month we have another wedding. Watch this space!

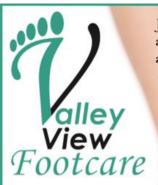
At a PCC Meeting on 12th February it was decided to donate £100 to the Turkey/Syria Disaster Appeal and £100 to the Pricilla Bacon Lodge in memory of the late Archdeacon of Lynn Ian Bentley.

Robin Taylor, Churchwarde

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17th January 2023

To the congregation of All Saints Bawdeswell,

It has been another extremely busy year at Mid Norfolk Foodbank. The cost of living crisis and other global factors have sadly produced queues out the door at times at all three foodbanks in our network.

Thankfully, our donors have — as ever — been incredibly generous and we have been able to meet the needs of all those seeking emergency food parcels.

Since January 2022 we have fed 4,290 people – a 50% increase on 2021. Total annual donations have weighed an astonishing 55.5 tonnes.

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# **CHURCH NEWS**

#### **Church Letter**

A month of drama.

Of March it is said "it comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb." A very transitional month, hailing a move from winter to spring and bringing with it those much needed longer days and stronger sunshine. However, it is also very variable, as noted by Charles Dickens; "it was one of those March days when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold - when it is summer in the light and winter in the shade."

Despite the weather, we are greeted in March by a reawakening of the dawn chorus from the robin, song thrush and blackbird and the arrival of beautiful spring flowers such as primrose, camellia, and daphne. Of course, it is the flower of the month, the daffodil that gives us swathes of bright, golden yellow at the roadside and in our gardens and woodlands. Also known as the lent lily, this icon of optimism reminds us that during this month we are indeed in the holy season of Lent. Traditionally a time to give something up until Easter. Perhaps a few weeks without chocolate, cake or biscuits!?! Many do undertake this period of fasting as a sign of sacrifice and self-discipline. For Christians this represents Jesus Christ's sacrifice when he entered the desert to pray and fast for forty days before he died for us on the cross.

As we move through this month we can look forward to celebrating the coming of a new season. With those longer days and the clocks springing forward an hour, summer really seems to be just around the corner. So too can we see March as a transition to our new church season of Easter, enabling us to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ, a sign of re-birth, new life, and a promise of the good things to come.

Yours in Faith
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Fri 24th March
Sat 25th March
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Moulin Rouge	8am	£99
lack The Ripper Tour – London	12 noon	£50
Windsor Castle & Windsor	8am	£54 (£32 Travel)
London Model Railway Show	7.30am	£45
Matilda The Musical	7.30am	£72
Classic Car Restoration Show NEC	7.30am	£52
Stitch Festival - Islington	8am	£45
Thriplow Daffodil Weekend	9am	£28
Michael Buble O2 Concert Travel	1.30pm	£40
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Music of Bond - Royal Philharmonic	1.30pm	£70
Colchester Zoo	8.30am	Adult £50 Child £35
Elton John - O2 Arena	1.30pm	£145
Andre Rieu Resorts World Arena	1.30pm	£115
Elton John - O2 Arena	1.30pm	£145
Bury St Edmunds Market Day	9am	£22
Norway Fjords Cruise	6.30am	from £1049

#### May 2023 Mon I<sup>st</sup> May Wed 3rd May Sun 7# May Mon 8th May Fri 12th May

To Fri 12th May To Sat 13th May Sun 14th May Wed 17th May Thurs 18th May

Fri 19th May Thurs 25# May Sat 27th May

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Lake District At Leisure	7am	from £640pp
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NAFAS National Show & Glourester	7am	from £175pp

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#### **BAWDESWELL & FOXLEY CHURCH SERVICES**

#### March 2023

Date	Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Sun 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Sun 26 <sup>th</sup> March
Season	Lent 2	Lent 3	Lent 4	Lent 5
Bawdeswell	10.30am HC	The 10:30	10.30am W & P	10.30am W & P
Foxley	-	-	-	-

HC - Holy Communion W & P - Words & Praise

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