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**Starring: Sandra Hüller, Christian Friedel**

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# WELCOME

## Spring is here!

What does May conjure up for you? Warmer weather, longer daylight, Maypole dancing, two Bank holidays, anticipating a summer holiday and warmer sunny days, blossom and green shoots and hopefully the chance to sit outside with a cup of tea or coffee?

At last, we can pack away our winter woollies but BEWARE: there is an old adage (ne'er cast your clout till May is out), and keen gardeners are often caught out by a sharp frost, so maybe think carefully before planting out your more tender plants.

Did you know that 100 years ago, Bawdeswell got its very first Village Hall? To mark this, preparations and plans for a special CELEBRATION are gaining pace so it's not too early to put a ring around the 18<sup>th</sup> August on your calendars and in your diaries as EVERYONE in the village is invited to join in. If anyone has any information in their family or household about former Village Halls or life in Bawdeswell 100 years ago, why not bring it along to a Tuesday Coffee morning to share and see if it could form part of a montage and description about our Village, or let us know here at the magazine.

Anne and team

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# WHAT'S ON

## May Events

Event	Date	Location/Time
Foxley Coffee Morning	Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Foxley Village Hall 10am
Bawdeswell Parish Council Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parish Council Meeting	Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Bawdeswell Village Hall 7pm and 7.30pm
Foxley Community Evening	Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Foxley Village Hall 6-9pm
Vanya	Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Bawdeswell Village Hall 6.30 for 7.30pm
Annual Church Meeting	Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Bawdeswell Church 12 noon
Café Philosophique	Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Bawdeswell Village Hall 7.30pm
Dementia UK – Time for a Cuppa	Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Bawdeswell Village Hall 12.30pm
Knit and Natter	Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Bawdeswell Village Hall 2-4pm
Book Group	Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Bawdeswell Village Hall 7.30pm
Foxley Parish Council Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parish Council Meeting	Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Foxley Village Hall 7pm
Bawdeswell Village Cinema	Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Bawdeswell Village Hall 6.30 for 7.30pm
Knit and Natter	Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Bawdeswell Village Hall 2-4pm
Mobile Library	Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> May	From 11.10am see page 37 for details
Soup and Pud	Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Bawdeswell Village Hall 12-2pm
Foxley Community Evening	Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Foxley Village Hall 6-9pm
Foxley Coffee Morning	Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Foxley Village Hall 10am





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Zumba Fitness	Mon 10 – 11am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
FitSteps	Mon 11 – 12pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Short Mat Bowls	Mon 2 – 4pm	Foxley Village Hall
Hub Cafe	Tues 10 – 12pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Bridge Club	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues 7pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Move it or Lose it	Wed 10 – 11am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Move it or Lose it	Wed 11.30 – 12.30pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Youth Football Club	Wed 6 - 8pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
FitSteps	Thurs 7 – 8pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Little Monkeys	Fri (term time) 9.30-11.30am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Bridge Club	Fri 1.30pm	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

## OTHER LOCAL EVENTS

Event	Date	Location/Time
Reepham Gardening Club Annual Plant Sale	Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> May	8.30am Reepham Market Place
Reepham WI Meeting	Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> May	7.30pm St Michaels, Reepham, see page 11 for details
Reepham Gardening Club	Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> May	7.15pm Reepham Town Hall, see page 11 for details
Reepham Food Festival	Sun 26 <sup>th</sup> May	10am – 4pm Reepham Market Place

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# EVENTS INFORMATION

## REEPHAM GARDENING CLUB

### Annual Plant Sale

**Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 8:30am**

**Reepham Market Place**

**From 8.30 until sold out.**

**Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 7.15pm**

### **Chris Bell**

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### **'Weather and Night Sky Photography'**

After giving us some excellent talks, we have invited Chris back to share with us his passion of weather and night sky photography. Sit back, relax and enjoy some amazing photographs!

**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.Reephamgardenclub.org.uk](http://www.Reephamgardenclub.org.uk) or email [jeffandcaroljohnson@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jeffandcaroljohnson@yahoo.co.uk).**

## **Reepham WI**

**Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30pm**

### **Final discussion on Resolutions, followed by Saffron Summerfield – When Birds Sing**

A digitally illustrated talk with recordings of bird songs, photos and music videos.

Members will be free, guests £10 each, to include refreshments. Spaces are limited, for more information please contact Christine on 01603 870486.

**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](mailto:williamsmith110@btinternet.com).



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Wed 1st May	Lavenham, Dedham & Flatford Mill	8am	£35
Sun 11th May	Spalding Flower Parade	8am	£30
Sun 12th May	Stratford, Gin Distillery & Warwick	7.30am	from £145)
to Mon 13th May	1 night break Half board		
Wed 15th May	Wells, Stody Lodge Rhododendrons & Cream Tea	9am	£46
Thurs 16th May	Leonardslee Gardens with opt. Cheese & Wine tasting	7.30am	from £57
Fri 17th May	Derbyshire Mystery Day Trip	6am	£65
Fri 17th May	Andre Rieu – Resorts World Arena	1.30pm	£125
Sat 18th May	National Flower Show – Hylands Hall Chelmsford	9am	£43
Thurs 23rd May	RHS Chelsea Flower Show	9am	£120
Sat 25th May	Harry Potter Studio Tour	8am	£88 Child £75

### June 2024

Sat 1st June	Springfields Spalding & Springfields Quilt Show	8am	£28 (£33 with Quilt show)
Sun 2nd June	Ireland 7 day break	7am	from £840
To Sat 8th June			
Sun 2nd June	Duxford Summer Airshow	8.30am	£76 (Child £31)
Sun 2nd June	Melton Mowbray and Pork Pie making	8am	£62
Tues 4th June	Chichester Cathedral Flower Festival & Portsmouth	7am	from £295
To Thurs 6th June			
Sun 9th June	Lavenham Open Gardens	9am	£38
Tues 11th June	York at Leisure	6.30am	£50
Wed 12th June	Woodbridge & River Deben Cruise	8am	£48
Thurs 13th June	Derbyshire Lunch Canal Cruise & Bakewell	6am	£70
Fri 14th June	Rouen & Monet's Garden – Normandy	7am	from £385
To Monday 17th June	4 day break Bed & Breakfast		
Sat 15th June	BBC Gardeners' World & Good Food Show – NEC	8am	£65
Sat 15th/Sun 15th June	Pink – Tottenham Stadium	1.30pm	£50
Tues 18th June	Lavenham & Beth Chatto Gardens	8.30am	£46
Wed 19th June	Sister Act	8am	£75
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## THE JOHN LEEDS EDUCATIONAL TRUST

In the December issue of the Reeve's Tale, Mr Mears gave brief details of the recent history of this trust and asked for applicants for grants.

Thank you to all those who contacted him. These grants have now been paid. We now need applicants from **2022** and **2024** to contact him.

After an enormous amount of work over the past two years, particularly by Mary Derbyshire of Brown & Co who administer the land upon which the charity is based it has been possible to re-establish the Trust and gain access to monies in the bank.

I am writing to explain where we are now and notify you of the recent decisions by the new Trustees.

Five Trustees were appointed in line with the amended Trust regulations of 1922. These were appointed by **office** to avoid the Trust repeating the position of 2022 when the sole trustee died leaving the Trust unable to function:-

The Chair of Bawdeswell Parish Council

The Chair of Foxley Parish Council

The Vicar of Bawdeswell and Foxley

A member of NCC Education Authority

Mary Derbyshire

The Trustees agreed to continue the practice of giving grants towards school uniforms to the parents of Year 6 pupils from Foxley and Bawdeswell. They do not have to be attending Bawdeswell Primary School but must be from Bawdeswell or Foxley. Grants will be made for **2022** and **2023** as well as the current year at the rate of **£350** per pupil. We do not know how the present system evolved to become a grant towards school uniforms but will for the time being continue this practice. In future we hope that with the permission of the parents, the school may be able to supply us with the data needed for the grants, but details of the scheme will be posted each year in the Reeve's Tale with a closing date in May of that year.

The Trustees also have no way of establishing who "is in need of financial assistance" as required by the original will and therefore grants will be given to parents who apply and meet the other criteria. It would be very helpful if parents in both villages who have children in the relevant age group mention to neighbours and friends that grants are made to all parents who meet the criteria. We know that not everyone reads their copy of the parish magazine!

In future, grants may vary from year to year depending on the monies available and the Trustees have the power under the terms of the trust to change and extend the scheme to other support. Such changes will be advised through the Reeve's Tale. Minutes of our meetings are available through the Parish Chairs and if you have any questions about the John Leeds Trust, you can Email me on [johnmallen77@gmail.com](mailto:johnmallen77@gmail.com)  
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# LETTERS

## Housing Development in Bawdeswell: Keeping You Informed

Breckland Council has a house building target allocated to its area by Central Government, as is the case across the country, and in response they invite potential developers and others to suggest sites for housing development.

We, in Bawdeswell, have had **5 sites** suggested for new housing,

Land along **Common Lane** opposite the end of The Street.

Along the **Swanton Morley Road** between Loran and Meadowbank

Land off **Paradise Lane** opposite Adam's Pit

The Field off the **Reepham Road** behind the Village Hall and Bowling Green.

The land opposite **The Old Rectory** located behind The Old Police House and Tilney Farm.

The Parish Council have already made their views known on these sites and Breckland Council this month assessed the sites and has ruled out those it felt are not feasible, these will go forward for decision in May and the Parish Council will be informed.

**Please do not assume, when Breckland Council's decision is known, that housing development will go ahead because there are many more stages to go through including actual planning permission.**



The poster is a vibrant pink and blue graphic. At the top, it features three icons: a cupcake and coffee cup on the left, a teal teapot with the text 'Time for a cuppa' in the center, and another cupcake and coffee cup on the right. Below these icons, the text reads: 'Come join us for tea/coffee/cake sale in aid of Dementia UK.' The event details are: 'BAWDESWELL V.H. WEDS 8th MAY 12.30PM'. Two white heart icons are placed on either side of the date. Below the date, it says: 'Come support this vital charity...and see what Move it or Lose it is all about!'. There are colorful musical notes on the left and a photo of two people on the right. At the bottom, there are three images: a table of various cakes and pastries, a cartoon illustration of three people sitting on chairs, and a blue logo for 'MOVE IT OR LOSE IT!' with a person jumping.

Come join us for tea/coffee/cake sale in aid of Dementia UK.

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# LETTERS

## **Local children need support from the Bawdeswell and Foxley community.**

Foster carers Tim and Bev share their passions for fostering and why they continue to provide positive outcomes for children and young people amid the foster crisis.

When we first met, we discussed fostering and adoption before we married. Still, it wasn't until 18 years into our marriage, whilst on the weekend away in a shepherd's hut that we remember the morning well, Bev was in the shower and Tim was reading the book and came across a story of a lady who fostered children straight from the hospital with life-limiting conditions.

That had such a massive effect on Tim that he could not speak for several minutes, and Bev came out of the shower thinking we had just had news that somebody had died. Such were Tim's emotions!

From that moment, we were both on the same page, which was important for us. From there on in, it was all systems go. We spoke to our daughter, who was afraid of change at the beginning, but we made sure we talked in depth with her about what would change. We needed to move as we did not have a spare room to foster, and we also lived on a farm. The risk assessment for that would have been interesting, to say the least. We have cared for several children over the past two and a half years. We are very blessed that our daughter, who is 21 and lives at home, loves us fostering, and we are a team of 3. With fostering, you are fighting for what is right for the children, and winning that battle is important to us.

You need to offer these children, unconditional love, to show them that someone cares about them and is rooting for them and helping them with routines, as often they might not have had any, and helping them grow and develop their potential; that is the biggest role of a foster carer – develop their potential. Each of our children has the potential, and our biggest job is drawing out the gold within them.

When a child comes to live with us, we feel very excited and nervous. Will they like us, our dog and how will everyone gel together? Lots of questions and factors come into it, but we prepare ourselves and try to meet the child before they come to live with us. We like to show them the home and their bedroom first and keep our 'about me' book up to date for the children. Trying to get as much information about their likes and dislikes before they come, and we give them their favourite meal the first day they arrive.

As a foster carer, you need to have patience and be willing to listen, someone who has an open heart and open ears. Hear what the child is saying, listen and be willing to go the extra mile to care for these precious children coming into our care.

Fostering has been the best thing that has happened in our journey. We receive immense support and have great relationships with everyone, and the entire team is on board to support you.

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***100 years in our village???***

***Not to be missed!***

**Look out for more information in the Reeves Tale from now until  
August.**

# VILLAGE NEWS

## Bawdeswell Village Hall Update

The Hall has been regularly used throughout April, and May is gearing up to be equally busy. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> May the Hall will be the venue for the election of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Norfolk police area. While you are there you might notice a slight smell of new paint. The Hall is undergoing a complete redecoration inside which will be the first one since it's opening in 2015. A local company - Wensum Valley Decorators Ltd – owned by Dean Spriggs, have been busy on the toilets and cloakrooms and they look like new. Different areas will be worked on throughout the next few months so we apologise if there is any disruption caused. From what we see so far, the Hall will look resplendent when completed. Thank you, Dean and your workmen, for what you have done so far.

For those that have been using the Food Bus on a Tuesday morning, we are sorry to say that it appears Council cuts have taken this well used facility away. If situation changes and the bus reinstated, we will let you know.

The event of the year – our celebration of 100 years of a Hall in the village – is gearing up to be a date not to be missed. Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> August! More information on what to see and do will be in this magazine and on posters, website and Facebook as time goes by. Keep a lookout for them all.

On a more sombre note, recently certain individuals are finding fun in antisocial behaviour around some areas of the Hall. A sign for the Bowling Green has been deliberately broken at the car park entrance and a sign mad to publicise upcoming cinema films has been pulled out of the ground and tossed onto the playing field against the fence. Other debris has also been found by the entrance doors to the Hall. Whoever is responsible for these acts of vandalism should note that the Village Hall does have CCTV cameras in operation and it is monitored on a daily basis!

If you have any questions about the Hall and what goes on there please contact Carolyn or Jo whose contact numbers are below.

### **Contacts:**

Chair: Carolyn Good - 01362 688 944

Bookings: Jo Porter – 01362 688 887





# Bawdeswell Primary School Fete

SATURDAY 8th JUNE 2024

12-4pm



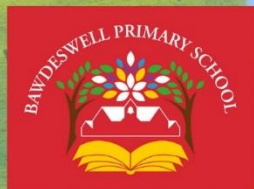
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# VILLAGE NEWS

## Hello from Bawdeswell Primary School



We know it has been far too long since we have written a contribution for the Reeve's Tale to keep you updated on what is happening at Bawdeswell Primary, but we are hoping to rectify that now by sharing our news on a regular basis. The reality has been that we have just been so incredibly busy making sure our school is improving, and that our pupils have every opportunity they deserve. After a surprisingly stress-free Ofsted inspection in February, in which we achieved 'Good' in every area, we feel ready to conquer the world!

### **So – what has been happening at our school?**

Since the end of covid we have a new logo, a new motto and new school values which are now all embedded and part of our everyday experience. You will have already seen our new logo on the outside of our building – we felt that whilst we will always have Rev Lombe's family crest displayed at the front of our building to show the school's history and origins, our children needed something that better represents who we all are now to wear on their uniforms. So, we asked them to draw their ideas for our new logo to help with our new design. They overwhelmingly drew trees to represent our Woodland Learning, as well as our beautiful building. A few chose to draw a book to represent our learning, so we combined these ideas to create our new logo. Our Motto came easily from our staff team – 'We Grow Together' represents the way we are all part of our children's journey. Staff, parents, Governors, local community and businesses all contribute to our children's growth as they physically grow throughout their time at school. Our values were then agreed as a set of qualities we want for our children to embrace which will help them succeed and to look after each other – Kindness, Compassion, Friendship, Positivity, Teamwork, Resilience, Self-Awareness, Aspiration and Happiness. These are now central to everything we do.

We have improved our curriculum to make sure it is well suited to our children's needs in a variety of subjects. As we have improved our focus on reading skills, we have also restocked our library this year, and our children are beginning to feel the benefit of a range of different authors and genres to enjoy. We have also increased the opportunities outside of the curriculum, now offering clubs in Spanish, Ukulele, Dance, Chess, Science and different sports. We also now offer our families breakfast and after school 'wraparound' childcare, which is supported by our Bawdeswell Morrisons store too. To help our children understand different cultures, we have established link schools in Japan, Spain and Malawi. This month we are welcoming our Japanese Link school's Vice Principal, Shizuka Suzuki, and two of her teachers – this will be her second visit to Bawdeswell. For her first visit last year, Bawdeswell Garden Centre very kindly donated a Japanese cherry tree for our grounds which we planted with Shizuka to represent the beginning of our partnership



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8th June 2024 12pm-4pm

Registration opens at 12pm, Judging starts at 12:45pm

Each class is £2 or book 3 classes for £5

Bawdeswell Primary School, Foxley Road,  
Bawdeswell, Dereham NR20 4RR

# VILLAGE NEWS

## Hello from Bawdeswell Primary School continued.

### **Volunteering – can you help our children?**

In order to give our children the best opportunities, we rely on our local community to get involved. Thank you if you attended the fantastic summer fete organised by FOBS (Friends of Bawdeswell School) last year. FOBS are an amazing group of parents who organise fundraising events to benefit our children – you are always welcome to join them if you want to be involved.

We are also always looking for people to be involved in school life in the following ways:

**Woodland Learning** – supporting our teachers and children in our woodland learning lessons, which happen all year round. If you enjoy the outdoors and can join us on at least a monthly basis, please get in touch!

**Reading support** – reading is the single biggest influencer of a child's academic success. It is much easier for some children than others, but regular reading to an adult at a young age makes an incredible amount of difference to a child's ability and confidence. If you can spare a couple of hours a week or a fortnight, please get in touch! We will happily train you so you can feel confident in this role.

**Career Assemblies/Visits** – our children love to find out about what adults do in their jobs! We want to show our children as many different ways as possible that they can make a living when they are older. If you could spare half an hour to come in and talk to them, show some pictures and answer some questions, we would be really grateful. We are happy to prepare a presentation with you too if that helps!

Finally, after a lot of changes and challenges, we now have a stable and dedicated staff team who are all at school for the same reason - to try and improve the opportunities for our children. We are proud to be part of the Bawdeswell team and community, and are grateful for any support you can give us so that we can show the children how when everyone gets involved, **WE GROW TOGETHER.**

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Executive Headteacher.

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## Friends of Bawdeswell School (FOBS)

### Bawdeswell School Fete 2024

When: Saturday 8th June, 12-4pm

Where: Bawdeswell Primary School playing field, Foxley Road, Bawdeswell, NR20 4RR

Everyone is welcome to our school fete where there will be lots of fun for all!

We are very excited to have Jess from **Pawfect Pets Dog Training in Lyng, running our Fun Dog Show** (see separate poster for more information). Plus there will be **lots of games and sports, a bouncy castle, archery, stocks, tombolas, craft stalls, BBQ, bar, cafe, ice creams and more!** Thank you to **Folk in a Field Festival** for sponsoring our bar again this year.

We also have a **big raffle** with lots of lovely prizes ranging from days out at visitor attractions, to vouchers and products. **Raffle tickets are ON SALE NOW**, £1 a ticket/ £5 a book, available from the school office or FOBS Committee members.

If you would like to book a craft stall at £10 per (outdoor) pitch, and/or if you can donate a raffle prize, please contact the Friends of Bawdeswell School at [bawdeswellfriends@gmail.com](mailto:bawdeswellfriends@gmail.com). Follow the latest fete news on our Facebook page @FOBS.

We look forward to seeing you there!

FOBS Team

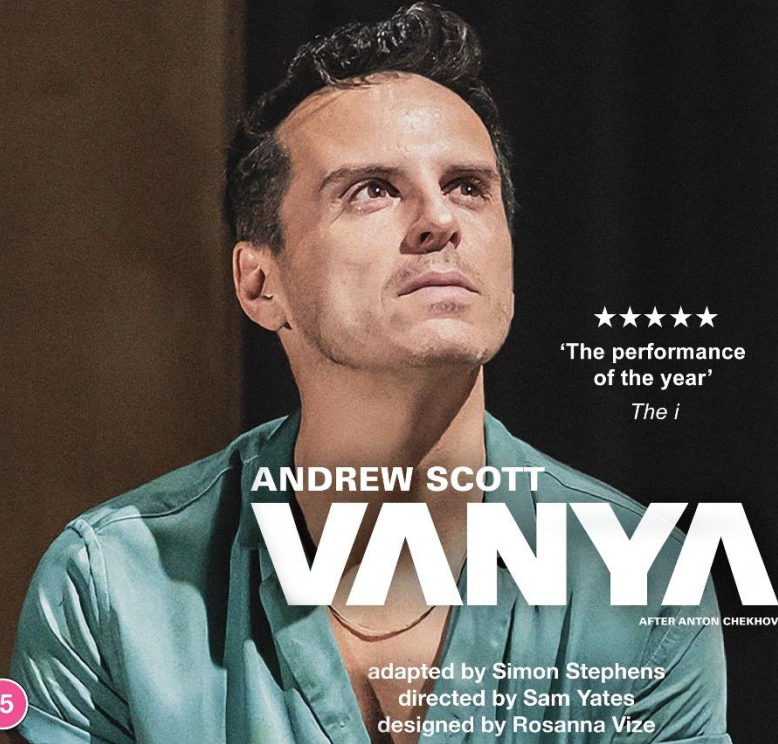
*The Friends of Bawdeswell School (FOBS) organise fundraising activities throughout the year - the proceeds of which help to support the children and enhance their learning and enjoyment while they attend Bawdeswell Primary School.*

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# VILLAGE NEWS

## Foxley Village Hall

### Coffee Morning

The date of the next coffee morning will be **Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> May, 10am – 12 noon**. Next month the coffee morning will be on Wednesday June 5<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 to 12 noon.

### Community Evening

Our next Community Evening will be on **Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> May from 6 – 9 pm**. Do come and join us for a drink, a chance to chat to your neighbours and listen to live music and/or play some favourite pub games. Next month our community evening will be on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June from 6 to 9 pm.

### Litter Pick

The litter pick was held in Foxley on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April from 10 to 11 am. The number of litter pickers was disappointing, with the fewest people attending since starting these litter picking sessions. However, those that attended enthusiastically cleared litter from around the village streets and lay-bys! Lots of the litter was obviously thrown out of car windows -worryingly there were lots of empty beer cans, although the lay-bys would still seem to be blighted by fly tipping. A huge thanks to all who attended on Saturday. The litter picking team really did make a difference, as can be seen below.



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# CLUBS AND SOCIETIES



## Book Group

### Bawdeswell Book Group

The Book Group meets in the Village Hall. We meet on the **second Thursday** of each month, starting at **7:30pm**. Each member pays an annual Group Subscription Fee, currently £20, to cover our room hire and library charges.

New members are welcome and are invited to attend for two meetings before deciding to join the group and pay their subscription.

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### *“Tail of the Blue Bird”* by Nii Ayikwei Parkes



This book divided our group. Some enjoyed it, others were unable to move past the first few pages because the author challenges the reader by using a mixture of languages. Some thought Nii Ayikwei Parkes' editor should have encouraged him to lead us, as Western readers, more gently into the story before offering challenging pidgin dialogue, but he didn't. Meaning that we, as western readers must interpret some of what we are being told. Don't be put off, some parts of the story are written in 'plain English', which helps us fill in the gaps.

The book is a mystery, a *who-dunnit*, but because of its setting it's even more complex. This is a story set in the middle of the old and the new ways of living in Ghana, a clash between the new world of science and reason and the old world of folk tales and fables.

Some 'remains' are found, but what were they, whose were they? Kayo, a forensic scientist is forcibly recruited by a corrupt police inspector to solve the case. His problem is that witnesses speak via folk tales, not the 'CSI language' that the Inspector craves. Kayo's own life depends on finding a conclusion that will satisfy the inspector whilst respecting the village elders; a difficult task.

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We are currently reading *“The Appeal”* by **Janice Hallett** for discussion at our meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> May.

**Enquiries: Carolyn 01362 688944**

## CLUBS AND SOCIETIES



### Bawdeswell Festival Choir

The choir is an all-female group who meet at All Saints Church for an hour on a Wednesday evening and Saturday morning.

They were fully launched as a regular concert performing choir earlier last year and gave a sellout performance back in June and again in September.

The music repertoire is broadly '**Bach to Broadway**'. We strive to perform at the highest possible level.

If you like the sound of what we do, have some singing experience, and can commit, we have vacancies in all departments.

Please contact the MD, **James Lilwall on 01362 688499** or [pjililwall@hotmail.com](mailto:pjililwall@hotmail.com) for an initial conversation;- you would be most welcome!



### Bawdeswell Bowls Club

By the time you read this month's article the new bowls season will be on the way.

The green is beginning to dry out after the very wet winter, the spiking I did last month did a very good job and the moss treatment I have done in the past four to six weeks has done a great job. The moss is looking very black which should now slowly disappear. My next cut will be down to playing height which I hope will run well.

That's all for now. Good luck to the three clubs especially Bawdeswell.

If there is any-body interested in having a go at bowls please give **Paul a call on 01362 688615 Mob 07796964574**

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### 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 1.30pm. 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**

## CLUBS AND SOCIETIES



### Bawdeswell Knit and Natter

Dates for **May** are **9<sup>th</sup>** and **23<sup>rd</sup>** 2 - 4 pm at the Village Hall.

Come along and join us. Refreshments will be available.

Enquiries: **Josie Beach 01362 688869.**



### Bell Ringing at Foxley Church

If you would like to try bell-ringing we ring occasionally at St Thomas, Foxley or St Mary's, North Elmham. There is no charge for learning to ring the bells and it is a safe, interesting and sociable activity as well as a gentle form of exercise.

Contact: **David Wheeler, Tower Captain on 07909 901015 or 01362 688796, Email: davidawheeler@sky.com**



### Bintree Bowls Club

By the time this issue is released, the summer bowling season will have arrived!

Our first roll-up was on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April and our Opening Day on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April will have taken place. Our first league game is on 9<sup>th</sup> May. All Cawston, Elmham, Age UK and Hempton league fixtures have been arranged for the 2024 season and can all be seen on our website: [bintreebowlsclub.co.uk](http://bintreebowlsclub.co.uk) under FIXTURES.

We have 35 members registered for the 2024 season and we are looking forward to a summer of outdoor bowls. New members are always welcome and you can track us on our website [bintreebowlsclub.co.uk](http://bintreebowlsclub.co.uk).

**Nick Mears – Chairman. Tel 01362 688251**



### 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.**

## CLUBS AND SOCIETIES



### Cafe Philosophique

*Finding good reasons for everyday beliefs*

We 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> May - "Loneliness"**

We continue, hopefully, to learn and to entertain, on a wide range of subjects.

Contact: **Peter: 01362 688944**



### Foxley Village Hall Coffee Morning

The next coffee morning will take place on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May at 10am.**

If you need transport, please contact Jo 688981 or for any other enquiries please contact **Linda 688488 or Gillian 688955.**



### Little Monkeys Parent and Toddler Group

Bawdeswell Village Hall every Friday morning during term time, 10am – 11.30am. £3 for you and your child, 50p for each additional child. Includes snacks.

For more information, contact **Anne** on **01362 685308.**

Find us on Facebook: Little Monkeys Bawdeswell.



### North Elmham Countrysiders Club

Meet at The Memorial Hall, Holt Road, North Elmham.

Every other Monday evening 7pm - 8.30pm (term time only). Open to ages 10-16 yrs.

We are part of the Norfolk Young Farmers clubs and are actively involved in all areas within the organisation. This includes competitions, sports days and social events.

Other activities include team building sessions, farm visits, and outside activities.

Please come along and enjoy **2 free sessions** to decide if you want to join our club too! (Please note - sessions usually cost £4/child, annual subscription applies).

For more information, please email: [north\\_elmham\\_cs@norfolkyfc.co.uk](mailto:north_elmham_cs@norfolkyfc.co.uk)

Or find us on Facebook (North Elmham Countrysiders) or by calling the Norfolk County office: 01603 748931



# CLUBS AND SOCIETIES



## Lakeside Pilgrims BOWLS Club

We are looking for Outdoor Bowlers who are either wishing to play at a new club or are keen to start playing outdoors.

We originated from the Indoor and Outdoor Lakeside Club at Lyng but when it was closed in November 2014 the outdoor club reformed as Lakeside Pilgrims and are based at the Bawdeswell Bowling Green.

Last Summer we played in 3 Leagues and for the 2024 Summer Season we are looking for new members. At Bawdeswell we have facilities for after match refreshments in the adjacent Village Hall where we sit and relax with Tea/Coffee and Biscuits. Our current match fee is £3.00 and for home matches we also run a football card to pay for the refreshments and hopefully make something for Club Funds.

If you are interested, then please contact either **Cyril Janes on 07966 169806** or **Bernie Jones on 07711 210078** or **Sue Purse on 07765 446907**.



## Dereham Walkers are Welcome

Dereham Walkers are Welcome is a not-for-profit organisation.



**Please come and join us for a walk in the local area.**

Our short walk of around four miles is always on the first Friday of the month.

There is a programme of longer walks planned for 2024 as well as continuing our walks of just two miles for those beginning their walking experience.

For up-to-date information, please check our website

<http://www.derehamwaw.org.uk/>,

email Ken Hawkins: [ken-hawkins@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:ken-hawkins@tiscali.co.uk) or call him on 07505 426750.



## 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.

**INDOOR** - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May – Jenny Donelan of the BTO will hold a Bird ID workshop.

**OUTDOOR** – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May – Dawn Chorus at Pensthorpe (fully booked).

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So thank you to our passengers for their lovely feedback and thank you to our volunteer drivers for their many hours of service.

We are very fortunate to have this scheme which is funded by our parish councils and we welcome new passengers in 2024. For new passengers there are just a few questions to answer, such as the mobility of the passenger (we can't help with wheelchairs) and general health.

**If you think you could offer the occasional lift to a local resident in 2024, do please get in touch with me – the more drivers we have the lighter the load on everyone. Drivers are reimbursed for mileage expenses at 45p per mile. It's a great way of meeting your neighbours and making friends.**

Do keep the requests for assistance coming in **with as much notice as possible please** and we will try our best to help if a volunteer driver is available. I am sometimes unavailable to take calls, so please leave a message for me and I will get back to you. Thank you.

**David Wheeler, Volunteer Coordinator**  
**07909 901015**



### Current Opening Hours and Locations

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Friday	Bawdeswell Church	9.00am - 12.00pm



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BAWDESWELL	CHAUCER CLOSE	11.55 – 12.10
FOXLEY	VILLAGE HALL	12:20 – 12.35

## Breckland Mobile Food Store

Update on this community facility's availability for Bawdeswell and Foxley Residents.



**The current arrangements for The Breckland Mobile Food Store at the Village Hall have finished. Future arrangements have not as yet been organised.**

**Please check Facebook - Breckland Mobile Food Store for updates and details.**

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# PARISH COUNCILS

MEETING OF BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 4<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2024 AT 7.00pm

**Present: J. Mallen, D. Shannon, A. Hartley-Walder, C. Good and P. Craven.**

**In the absence of the Clerk, Cllr Hartley-Walder took the minutes. Members of the public – 4**

## **Councillors**

The Council are still looking for new Councillors. If you think you'd like to join the Parish Council or would like to know more, please get in touch with the Clerk or a Councillor who would be happy to talk with you about the role and what's involved.

## **Grounds Maintenance**

It was confirmed that the newly acquired mower has had problems and needed to be returned to supplier who provided it. A number of temporary replacements have been provided but the issue has not yet been resolved. Mr Williamson has made valiant attempts to keep village grass under control under extreme circumstances.

## **Call for Sites**

The Parish Council submitted its site-specific comment to Breckland. County Councillor Bill Borrett confirmed that the next round of consultations in respect of the Local Plan would be 8<sup>th</sup> April and Bawdeswell, as a local service centre, may be included.

## **Finance**

The balance of the Community account as at 31st March 2024 was confirmed as £16428.43, Business Money Manager (Earmarked reserves) was £29818.61

## **Planning**

3PL/2023/1225/F- Installation and operation of a 55.04kW ground-mounted solar array at Land adjacent to Bawdeswell Hall Fakenham Road – Approved

Prior approval for proposal to erect a single storey rear extension projecting from the original rear wall by 6.15m deep, with a maximum height of 3.80m and eaves height of 2.40m The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) - Schedule 2, Part 1, Class A at Pigman's House Reepham Road Bawdeswell – Prior approval not required.

3PN/2024/0010/PNE - Prior approval for proposal to erect a single storey rear extension projecting from the original rear wall by 4.74m deep, with a maximum height of 4m and eaves height of 2.40m The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) - Schedule 2, Part 1, Class A at 40 Hall Road, Bawdeswell – Prior approval not required.

**The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 7pm, followed by the Annual Parish Council Meeting at 7.30pm. These meetings 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. Please check the website or noticeboard for any changes.**

**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](mailto: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**

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# CHURCH NEWS

The Friends of Bawdeswell Church  
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Thank you to everyone who supported our Race Night. A great time was had by all and as the evening progressed the enthusiasm for the runners became louder and louder. As we said at the end, it's the taking part not the winning that really matters.

A big thank you to everyone who helped organise the event.

Don't forget '**book early**' to avoid disappointment!

We have been able to secure the **Chapterhouse Theatre company** for our joint fund-raising performance at Bylaugh hall this year.

The date is to be **Sunday the 28th July** and the show will be **Pride & Prejudice**, very fitting for the venue we think!

There will be retail stalls, food outlets and a live band. Bring a picnic if you wish and please your own chairs.

Tickets are on sale now via [www.ticketsource.co.uk](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk)

## **2024 events:**

- July 28<sup>th</sup> Bylaugh Hall – Pride & Prejudice - Gates open at 12pm performance 2pm
- Sep 28<sup>th</sup> Harvest Supper - Doors open at 7pm for 7.30pm – Village Hall
- Dec 7<sup>th</sup> Christmas Wreath Fair with Craft & Seasonal produce 10am-1pm – The Church

All ticket information and further enquiries from 01362 688499 or [pililwall@hotmail.com](mailto:pililwall@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.

# CHURCH NEWS

## Bawdeswell Church News



We had a very encouraging turn out on Good Friday and Easter Sunday. Our special thanks to All Saints Festival Choir for attending on Good Friday and for their very moving singing.

Our thanks to Brian Nursey for the large cross he made for us which was carried to the front of the church on Good Friday. To Jane Nursey, Brian Nursey and David Shannon for re-enacting the “Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ”.

Thanks also to Julie Smith, Sandi Taylor and Jane Ewing for the lovely Easter flowers and to Sally Kimmis our Rector for joining us and leading the service.

And now to business: *The Annual Church Meeting will be held in the church on Sunday 5th May at 12 noon. This is an open meeting.*

Please attend if you are interested.

A reminder that you can join us on Zoom for the service any Sunday..

Meeting ID: 825 4276 0074

Passcode: 823350

*Thank you,*

*RT Churchwarden.*

# CHURCH NEWS

## Church Letter

Dear Friends,

The month of May marks the transition from Spring into Summer, with the days gradually becoming warmer and longer. It's a month full of promise and opportunity, with much to look forward to.

The Church calendar is also marking a time of transition this month. We're not quite finished with the Easter story because, following the resurrection of Jesus, he appeared a number of times to his disciples and others, even eating breakfast with his friends. Then, having commissioned his disciples to continue his work on earth, Jesus is taken into heaven. We remember this on Ascension Day, 9<sup>th</sup> May this year. It is followed by the Day of Pentecost (or Whit Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> May).

Pentecost truly was a major transition for Jesus' followers! They were all together in Jerusalem, along with thousands of visitors from the known world who had travelled to celebrate the Festival. As Jesus had promised, the disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit and went out into the streets of Jerusalem and spoke to the crowds in their own languages. Peter addressed the crowd, testifying to God's power to free Jesus from death. That day, 3,000 people were baptized and day-by-day more were added to that number (Acts 2).

Often referred to as the 'birthday' of the Church, it was from this point on that Christianity began to spread and, because of Pentecost, the story of Jesus is still being told today.

Yours, in Christ,  
Revd Sally

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## May 2024

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Season	<i>Easter 6</i>	<i>Easter 7</i>	<i>Whitsun</i>	<i>Trinity Sunday</i>
<b>Bawdeswell</b>	10.30am HC	The 10:30	10.30am HC	10.30am Words & Praise
<b>Foxley</b>	-	-	-	-

HC Holy Communion The 10:30 *with Music Group*

**All our services are also available on Zoom.** Please email [heartofnorfolkchurches@gmail.com](mailto:heartofnorfolkchurches@gmail.com) for the link.

**Revd Sally Kimmis Team Rector:**

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