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MOTHERS' UNION – WROXHAM BENEFICE BRANCH

In May, our Branch Leader, Suzanne Barnett, gave a very interesting reflection on Pentecost, with readings and poems on this important time in the Church's year.

At our next meeting on Tuesday, 20th June, at 10.30 am, Sue Cobb, our Treasurer, will be giving another talk in her series on Christian literature. Please remember to bring something for the bring and buy stall for branch funds.

Everyone (not just Members) is welcome to join us at St. Helen's Church. Please contact Suzanne Barnett, Branch Leader (782002) or Val Ovenden (782466) for more details or to arrange a lift.

ST MARY'S COFFEE MORNING

in Wroxham Church Hall on 26th June from 10.00am. Bring & Buy Stall and Raffle. Admission £2.00. Everyone welcome.

ST JOHN'S COFFEE MORNING

The June Coffee Morning in aid of Hoveton St John Church will be held on Tuesday 6th June at the home of Roger & Sarah Tomkins, South Quays, Horning Reach, Horning, at 10.30am. There will be a Bring & Buy Table, Cake Stall & Raffle.

COFFEE MORNING

at the home of Ros and Peter Howes

High Gables, Tunstead Road, Hoveton
on Saturday 17 June 10.30am

In aid of Hoveton St Peter Church

Bring & Buy, Raffle, Cakes and Plants

UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

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Services and Events in June (all at the Hub unless stated otherwise)

Sun 4th , 11am Communion Service led by Rev Sue Seeley

Sun 11th, 11am Service led by Rev Bruno Boldrini

Sun 18th, 11am Family Service led by Rev Malcolm Wright

Sun 25th 11am Service led by Mrs Wendy Gilbert

Coffee is served after each service. Please do join us!

Our weekly **Community Café on a Thursday 10.30-12.00**, is a great opportunity to meet up with friends over a coffee and slice of homemade cake. It's free – all we ask for is a small donation towards the costs. All are welcome! Any surplus money is given to charity and so far we have been able to support several local and national charities with our donations

JAM (our Sunday Kids Club) is always open to new children for fun, cooking, games, crafts and Bible stories. Please contact Chris Billing at chris.billing@ukbis.com or phone 01603 783992 for more details.

This month JAM meets on Sundays June 11th and 25th from 10.45 to 12.15 in the Church Hall. On Sunday 21st the children will be with the adults for a family service celebrating Fathers' Day.

ST HELEN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

St Helen's Coffee Drop-In: on the first Wednesday June 7th at 10.30. Coffee, tea and cake with the proceeds going to small local charities. A warm welcome assured for all!

Fourth Wednesday Club: Our next meeting is Wednesday June 28th. This popular and friendly social club is open to all 'Senior Citizens' over 60 from 1130 - 16.30; it starts with coffee, and continues with a simple hot lunch around 12.30. The 'sub' of £2.50 includes coffee, lunch and entertainment, and there's a monthly raffle too. There are also plants and previously-owned books for sale and the money raised is distributed to local charities.

Rooms available: St Helen's has rooms available for small bona fide meetings and gatherings of up to 30 people; several organisations meet here on a regular basis. Facilities for preparing light meals and hot drinks are available (you bring your own refreshments). Centrally situated with excellent car parking. Please call 01603 782758 for further details.

BROADGRACE CHURCH

Minister: John Hindley

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Services: We meet each Sunday at 4pm in The River Rooms in Coltishall, the old Salvation Army Hall opposite the garage in the centre of the village. Come along and you and your family will find a warm welcome, a friendly bunch of people and the chance to think about

the spiritual, significant issues of life. See www.broadgrace.org.uk for more details or, give John a call on 01603 737974.

LIBRARY & SCHOOL NEWS

WROXHAM LIBRARY

Tel: 01603 782560 or **email:** wroxham.library@norfolk.gov.uk

Website: www.library.norfolk.gov.uk

Facebook: www.facebook.com/NorfolkLibrariesUK for all latest news and events

Follow us on **twitter** <http://twitter.com/WroLibrary>

Drop-in, 10-5 Monday - Saturday and late opening till 8pm on Fridays

Email us at wroxham.library@norfolk.gov.uk <<mailto:wroxham.library@norfolk.gov.uk>>

Social Activities and events at the Library

Bounce and Rhyme Time is every Wednesday, at a new time of 10.30 - 11.00am. During school holidays please contact the library or check our Facebook page to confirm the event is running. Songs and rhymes for babies, toddlers, parents and carers. FREE

Colour me Calm

Every Tuesday, 2-4pm.

Not just for children, Colouring is now recognised as a relaxing and enjoyable way to promote Wellbeing. Come along to Wroxham Library to join our new Colouring Circle! This activity is Dementia friendly - Carers welcome. Templates and colouring materials provided, though feel free to bring your own.

Wroxham Parish Council Surgery

If you are a Wroxham parishioner and have an issue or a parish query, pop along to the library to speak to Councillors from Wroxham Parish Council on Saturday 3rd June 10 -11.30am. The next session after that will be Saturday 1st July at the same time. This is a drop in surgery and so no appointment is necessary.

Norfolk and Norwich Association for the Blind advice afternoon

Thursday 8th June, 2.00-4.00pm. Drop in session offering advice to the blind and partially sighted and anyone else seeking information.

'The Great Get Together' Community Sing at Wroxham Library

Saturday 17th June, 3pm - 4.30pm

As part of the nationwide project celebrating the life of Jo Cox and her great community spirit, Broadbeat Choir will be at Wroxham Library to lead a Community Sing-song. Come along and join in with song, tea and cake! This is a free event, though you are welcome to bring a cake if you wish to contribute. For more details, contact Wroxham Library.

Health Fayre at Wroxham Library - Friday 7th July, 10.30am - 3.15pm.

As part of Health Information Week advisers from a number of different health organisations, including Diabetes UK, Age UK, Arthritis Care and the Alzheimer's Society, will be at Wroxham Library to talk to people and advice on their services. There will also be a healthy eating cookery demonstration and tasting from 'Joy of Food', a taster seated exercise class for the over 60's, and the opportunity to make a fruit smoothie by pedal power on the library smoothie bike. And it's all FREE! - just come along on. Contact the library for more details, or check out our Facebook page.

Family History. Use our free access to Find My Past and get advice from Diane, our family and local history expert by booking a half hour session on Fridays from 6-7.30pm.

Knit and Natter - come along to our informal gathering. Thursday 1st and 15th June 2.00-4.00pm, please bring your own project.

Crib Club (Cribbage card game) - new players welcome - Thursday 8th June 2.00-4:30pm. Please bring your own board and cards if you have them.

Scrabble Club meets on the last Thursday of each month from 2.00-4.30pm. (29th June) All welcome

Bookgroup

Why not join the Wroxham Bookgroup? A great opportunity to try reading something new and to meet new people! The group meets at 2pm on the third Wednesday of every month.

HORNING COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL MAY 2017

We have various trips arranged for this term including a visit to Norwich Cathedral, Banham Zoo and a theatre trip. We are also taking part in a cluster reading event with Broadland High School. We are holding a Royalty Day at the end of May and parents/carers are invited into school at the end of the afternoon for a cream tea, we hope the weather will be kind to us.

Throughout this term we will be taking part in various cluster sports events including cricket, multi sports, netball and football. We are delighted to be working with Horning Sailing Club again this year to provide after school sailing opportunities for some of our children. ESKA Karate School will be delivering a free Karate session for the children in July.

The next school café will be held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 16 May with the final café on 18 July (please note change of date); we are always very pleased to see friends old and new. We would be unable to continue this enterprise without the continued support of the Horning Boat Show – Thank you.

Arrangements for our Race for Life event to be held on Wednesday 14 June are gathering momentum. We have some fabulous raffle prizes donated by our local community: there will be refreshments, cakes for sale and other side shows on offer and an opportunity to encourage and support the children as they race around the field. Members of the community are welcome to come along at 12.30pm and participate in the race or just cheer the children on and support our fundraising effort. All money raised will be donated to Cancer Research UK.

Our Drama after School club has resumed and they are working on their next performance to be held in Horning Village Hall on Wednesday 19th July at 2.30pm; we welcome our local community to join us.

Horning Hedgehogs pre-school is able to take children from aged 2, sessions run from 0845-1145 Monday to Friday with afternoon sessions on Tuesday and Thursdays, 1215-1515. We have a few places available for this academic year and a waiting list for September 2017 intake. If you would like more information please contact us.

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Horning Primary School

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CLUB NEWS

HOVETON & DISTRICT CONSERVATIVE COFFEE CLUB

Our next meeting at The Wroxham Hotel will be on Thursday 22nd June at 10.30 a.m. and will be our A.G.M. Contact Tel. No. 01603 783490

WROXHAM FOOTBALL CLUB

Wembley Stadium celebrated their tenth year anniversary on Friday 19 May as they lit up the iconic arch in the colours of every team to have graced the famous arena – including our very own Wroxham Football Club.

One hundred and sixty six domestic, European and international men's and women's football teams have graced the Wembley turf in the last decade across a variety of competitions and friendlies. To mark the anniversary, and in a show of gratitude to all the clubs, Wembley Stadium displayed each of the club or national colours on the famous arch. The name and crests of the clubs were also shown on the outside of the stadium.

Wroxham's mention in the celebration is down to their progression all the way into the FA Vase Final in 2010 against Whitley Bay. Unfortunately for the Yachtsmen, they were on the receiving end of a 6-1 defeat to the Northern Football league side. This is the highest winning margin of any game at new Wembley and Wroxham also hold another record of conceding the fastest goal in just 21 seconds! A good quiz question but will it ever be beaten?

It has not been a good season for The Yachtsmen with relegation back to the Thurlow Nunn League Premier Division confirmed but at least we ended it in lights at Wembley – and what an achievement to get there!

As we plan for next season, it is all change with a new Chairman, Director of Football & Operations, a new Treasurer & management team. We need more people to help on the C'ttee, so if you have some time to spare, please contact us via Secretary Chris Green Tel 783936 or email secretary@wroxhamfc.com

HOVETON WROXHAM AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

Nearly 30 members and visitors thoroughly enjoyed Mr Ian Roofes talk on basket and container plants. He is always very entertaining and knowledgeable.

The June speaker (2nd June at Hoveton Village Hall 7.30.p.m.) will be Mr Graham Watts from Dale Farm Dereham. He will talk about his garden, which we will be visiting on July 20th during the afternoon, I understand it is a beautiful garden - please contact Pam 01603782041 for more details.

Visitors very welcome £2. 00. Raffle , refreshments etc. Still a few seats available for the Anglesey Abbey trip on 6th July. £18.00 inclusive - £11.00 if National Trust member.

Non- members please join us for a lovely day out. Congratulations to monthly bloom winner Mr T Crouch.

More details from Pam 01603782041 or Jean 01603781337.

GARDENING TIPS FOR JUNE

Most of our spring flowers are over now, but what a good year it has been for tulips and daffs.

Bluebells are giving us a good display, as well as our wisterias, broom and rhododendrons.

Clean your containers, refill with compost and plant your summer display, as all frosts should have gone by now. Whether its petunias, begonias, marigolds or geraniums, make sure they have drainage and also add some slow release fertiliser into the compost.

Hoe your beds on a regular basis and keep dead heading.

Spray areas like patios, shingle paths or drives on a still, dry day with a glyphosate based weed killer.

Lawns have had a slow start this year, mainly due to the cold and low rainfall. Keep them trimmed regularly, varying your direction of cut if possible.

Edge paths and borders to keep them looking neat and tidy.

In the salad area sow radish, oriental leaves, spring onions and lettuce in small amounts to keep you in salads.

In the veg patch, sow beetroot, carrots and peas.

Plant out your French runner beans.

In the fruit area protect from birds and other pests. Harvest those lovely juicy strawberries.

Keep your pond topped up with water.

Feed fish regularly, keep on top of weeds and protect your fish from that heron.

Remember, if you have planted trees, shrubs and bedding or seeded a lawn, they will need watering until established.

Feed your bedding plants.

Most of all enjoy your gardening.

Michael Ottaway, Chairman

WROXHAM AND HOVETON LIONS CLUB

This is the last report of my Presidential year and I hope you have all enjoyed them over the last twelve months as much as I have writing them. I shall be handing over the reigns at the end of this month to our new President for next year, Lion Mick Holden and I wish him every success in his year of office.

During May we held a successful Craft Fair and Garage Sale. Another garage sale is scheduled for Sunday July 9th, this time at Stalham, and our next craft fair will be on Sunday September 3rd.

I am pleased to say that we have seen an increase in business in the Charity Shop now that the summer visitors are arriving and the shop is now opened from 10am to 4pm on Sundays for the summer season. We are always looking for good quality Bric a Brac as well as small electrical items to sell in our shop. Collection can be arranged - just ring me 01603 784093,

The tombola stall in the precinct is also open now until the end of the summer season, so why not go along and see if you are lucky in winning a prize. All proceeds this year will go to East Anglia Children's Hospice and the Club's Charity Fund to support other local deserving causes.

If any one feels they would like to find out more about becoming a Lion and joining a wonderful organization, helping people less fortunate than ourselves, please come along to one of our meetings. These are held at the Broadland Youth and Community Centre, Statham Road, Hoveton, on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 8pm. Alternatively give me a ring on 01603 784093, or our membership chairperson Lion Ron Hill 07753382410. You will be made most welcome.

Finally, may I just say a big thank you to everyone who has supported our Club's fundraising efforts during the past year and for your generosity.

Well, all that's left is for me to sign off for the final time.

Lion Terry Vout, President

THE PROBUS CLUB OF BROADLANDS

The Probus Club of Broadlands is a fellowship club for men who are retired or semi-retired. We meet on the last Wednesday of every month between 12.15 and 15.00 at The Norfolk Mead Hotel, Coltishall for drinks, a delicious chef cooked lunch and a guest speaker presentation on a variety of local and general interest subjects.

The Probus Club of Broadlands is always keen to welcome new members, or to hear from those who would like to know more.

We look forward to meeting and greeting you at one of our future meetings.

Contact Steve Robb on 01603 736597 (President 2016/17)

Or Neil Searle-Jones on 01603 666159 (club secretary)

BROADLANDS ROTARY CLUB

Our fundraising this year

So far this year we have raised just over £3,000 and donated £1440 to local charities and £700 to international causes.

International Aid – Lend with Care

Since joining this on line scheme about 3 years ago we have made 35 loans and helped 94 Entrepreneurs to develop their businesses. In turn this has helped 349 family members and created 40 new jobs. The loans have been to people in developing countries from Ecuador to the Philippines including Ruanda, Vietnam and Cambodia. Our investment of just over £600 has, on a rotating basis, enabled us to lend £2,090 of which £1,468 has been repaid and reinvested in more entrepreneurs. To date no Entrepreneur has defaulted on repaying a loan but many have transformed their lives!

Our latest loan of £45 is to Juan Torres from Ecuador. He is a taxi driver, married with one young son and lives in the small town of Catamayo. He is self-employed and started this service four years ago. Don Juan belongs to a taxi drivers association and owns his own vehicle. He works most days from 6 am to 7 pm. He requested a loan to repair a damaged engine, a full service and new tyres. On average he earns around \$850 per month.

Our Next Events

June 9th Outing for Children of The Hall School, Old Catton

June 15th Coach travel and entrance to Gooderstone Water Gardens and Hunstanton, £30 per head

If you would like to book a coach tour: contact Fred: 07803 193020 or 01603 898557. **If you would like to know more about our club / events** contact me: annchantryprice@gmail.com, Tel: 01603 270478 / 01296 660202

Ann Chantry-Price

Photos/poster included as attachments:

1 Juan Torres (1)

2 Gooderstone (2)

WROXHAM BURE VALLEY ROTARY CLUB

Towards the end of May, Wroxham Bure Valley Rotary Club members host two days of rural activities for children from Mile Cross school in Norwich. On the first day the first group are taken out sailing on Wroxham Broad with the help of members of the Norfolk Broads Yacht Club, followed by a farm visit and barbecue; and on the second day a second group spend the day at the Barton Turf activity centre. Norse generously help with transport and packed lunches and the day is a real experience of life outside of the city and thoroughly enjoyed by all. A full report with pictures will appear next month.

Every year we give out Usborne dictionaries to pupils at the 5 primary feeder schools for Broadland High School in Hoveton: Coltishall, Tunstead, Hoveton St John's, Hickling and Salhouse, and this year is no exception. We expect to receive our order of the Dictionaries in May and will be arranging delivery once we have them. The Usborne dictionary is a great tool for these youngsters and is now part of the primary school curriculum, so once again Rotary is leading the way in helping people within our local community.

Our campaign to eradicate polio world-wide continues, and the good news is that there have only a couple of cases in all so far this year in Pakistan and Afghanistan, the only remaining countries with the disease. We are again planning to plant more purple crocuses this autumn to further boost the Purple for Polio message.

Our next big charity fund raiser is scheduled for September – a garden party at Sloley Hall, courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Gorton, when Hayley Moss will be among the performers. Further information on times and tickets will appear next month.

We are always pleased to welcome more new members into the club - you can pop along and meet us any Monday evening if you fancy finding out a bit more about us and what we get up to, but please contact our secretary Anne Kittle in advance on 07887523071 to check the meeting details and so we can ensure we have food for you. Visit our web-site on

www.wroxhamrotary.org.uk for more information and details of our exciting programme for 2017, or our Facebook page on www.facebook.com/wroxhamburevalleyrotaryclub or contact our president, Rosemary Youngs on 01603 717272. There is no better way to give something back to the local community...and no better time than now.

WHB TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Looking forward to our Twinning visit this summer, **9-15th August, to La Pommeraye and Montjean-sur-Loire** and soon we will be all paid up and ready to go. We have a good sized party this year with over 30 on the coach and another eight or so making their way independently and quite a few youngsters this year which is very encouraging. We have a lovely week in France to look forward to, meeting our French friends again, or for the first time, a night in Versailles and visit to the wonderful chateau there, with an audio guide, very enjoyable local excursions in the beautiful Anjou/Loire area with its excellent food and wine and fostering friendship between our country and our nearest neighbours, very important in these times.

Our monthly activities continue apace with French Conversation at Angela's in Hoveton on the second Wednesday in May and Book Club at Phil's in Horning to discuss "The Accidental Apprentice" by Vikas Swarup who wrote Slumdog Millionaire. Jane can tell you more about French on 01603 782496 or jane@youatt.co.uk and Sue about Book Club on 01603 783555 or susan@kemp.org.uk

Social activities coming up are our annual flotilla, usually early July, where we congregate on one of the local broads for a get-together and picnic lunch: look out for a date soon. We also have a social evening, bring-a-plate buffet and pre-trip briefing on Friday 28th July at Robert and Margaret's house in Wroxham so a busy month. Weather permitting, we may organise a barbecue and social evening/lunch late May or early June.

If you would like any more information or to join our association please contact us, via our chairman, on 01603 782733 or peter_c_milsted@talk21.com

WROXHAM SOCIAL CLUB

I would like to thank Judy and Dennis for the excellent Quiz n Chips in May. Not only did we raise money for the club, we were also able to start our defibrillator fund off. It was good fun too.

Judy's next Quiz n Chips is on 10th June. Booking necessary.

A very few members turned up for our Club Tidying day in April and even less in June. We have, however, made great progress. Please if you can spare a couple of hours to help out on Saturday 3 June from 9.30am (especially bowlers, it is your green). Inside cleaning and painting also needed. All hands on deck.

Future Events:-

27th May – Whist, 3rd June – Bingo, **10th June – Quiz n Chips**, 17th June – Games Night, Nibbles, 24th June – Bingo, 1st July – Crib, Sandwiches, 8th July - Bar Quiz n Takeaway, 15th July - Bingo, 22nd July – Barbecue/Casino, 29th July – Whist, 5th August – Social and Competitions with our friends from Tamworth, buffet, Sunday 22nd August – Memorial Day.

N.B. Quiz n Chips needs pre-booking (phone Rosemary 419811). You don't need to be a member. £2.50 per person plus food.

Bingo starts at 8pm. All other events 7.30pm. Quiz Nights 7pm for 7.30pm start. Friday night is Darts night 7.30pm and Snooker (snooker available most nights).

Phone me for more information. New members over 16 yrs. Membership is £26 for a year due in December, joining as a new member, later in the year, the fee is pro rata. Half price for 16-17 year olds. Temporary Membership £5 per week – deductable from full membership.

The Club has two full size Snooker tables. Lawn Bowls, Table Tennis, Darts, Social Events, etc. Club membership entitles you to all club events and facilities. Bowls, Leisure and Social.

For more information please contact Rosemary Burdett (Chairman) 01603 419811 or Jean Barnett (Bowls Secretary) 01603 720810 or any other member or committee member.

BARTON HOUSE RAILWAY

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enquiries@bartonhouserailway.org.uk

01603 782008

Open 3rd. Sunday of the month from

April to October from 2.30pm to 5.30pm

(A regular boat service operates from Wroxham Bridge FOREVER RUNNING)

We can offer a wide range of facilities for your private function or party. Please ask for details or a leaflet

Our first running of the season on Easter Sunday was really good although the weather was not, being damp, cool and dull. Just over 100 admissions helped raise a little more than £620 which was indeed brilliant. It was reported from a boat crew member that it was the busiest start for the boats he had seen for some time. The weather improved a little for our Easter Monday running being sunny but quite cool with admissions falling to just over 80 and it was very pleasing to note that over a third of these were children. Over 260 visitors made use of

the boat service during the two days and well over £1000 raised overall with strong support from the catering department and trains were kept busy throughout both afternoons. A short halt in proceedings took place at 3pm on Easter Sunday to present a cheque for £2,500 to The Unthank Family Centre, our 2016 nominated charity. Our Easter Bunny helped with the presentation. A short end of running meeting took place on Easter Sunday when Thomas Roberts was appointed Senior Guard, Daniel Hansel, Operating Superintendent and Steve Purcell recognised for his continued outstanding support as Consultant Engineer. A great surprise to all staff was Easter Eggs for all, kindly donated by the Unthank Family Centre. The Joint Friends Annual General Meeting took place on Sunday 7th. May. 5 members took the boat option at 11:30am to Wroxham signalbox calling at Wroxham for lunch and the well attended meeting commenced around 2:30pm in Dickerson's Diner. Reports were given from The Joint Friends, Membership Secretary, BHR and Wroxham Signalbox Trust. Membership stood at 180 and it was noted that a modified membership leaflet had been produced prior to a re-print. Vacancies for Chairman, Secretary and Newsletter Editor had to be left unfilled for future decisions to be considered there having been no nominations. BHR2 (portable track) was attending at The Strumpshaw Steam Rally on Sat, Sun & Mon 27th. to 29th. May and at Bradwell Community Fete on Sat 10th. June. A working Party was planned for Sunday 11th. June for the purpose of progressing the new "Museum Line". A further Junior Club Day would take place at BHR on Saturday 17th. June commencing 11am.

OUR NEXT RUNNING IS ON SUNDAY 18th. June.
(with Stalham Brass Band)

PLEASE NOTE: Things on the day may be subject to alteration at short notice from time to time for various reasons most of which can not be foreseen.

WROXHAM WI

Wroxham WI members have been out and about. A visit to Langham Glass, viewing a glass making demonstration and the opportunity for companionable refreshment times made this an enjoyable day out. At the end of April several energetic members joined with more than 230 other Norfolk members to take part in an organised walk around Blickling Hall grounds. They walked 1.160 km to raise funds for Associated Country Women of the World which supports small, life improving initiatives relating to health, nutrition, water, farming, education etc. The current project Norfolk Federation is sponsoring is for a group in Kenya, helping to ensure sustainable sexual and reproductive health and the rights of adolescent girls. In early May some members visited the Maddermarket Theatre in Norwich to see the latest production of the locally based East Norfolk Operatic Society, The Yeomen of the Guard. What a treat that was! This colourful, hugely entertaining version of Gilbert & Sullivan's operetta was greatly enjoyed by all. At the Wroxham April meeting Juyna Lewis treated members to exotic tastes from far away places. She not only talked about Indian spices but prepared several dishes for members to sample and take away the recipes. The meeting in June is an opportunity to invite as guests members from neighbouring WIs and means that

Wroxham Church Hall will be full. All will enjoy an excellent afternoon tea and be entertained by "The Minstrels" courtesy of Kevin Hegarty. We shall look forward to being able to welcome new visitors at the next meeting on 19th July. Jean Watson

HOVETON & DISTRICT WI

At our May meeting members discussed two National Resolutions. One about 'Loneliness' and the other about 'Plastic pollution in the ocean'. They are both serious subjects but members relished engaging in the debate and Hoveton W.I. opinions will be passed on to the National Federation of Women's Institutes.

The June meeting will be at Hoveton Village Hall at 2 p.m. on Wednesday 7th June when we will host well known speaker David Morton who will be talking about St James Palace and Clarence House. Visitors welcome.

Hoveton W.I. meets in Hoveton Village Hall at 2 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month. In addition our lunch group meets once a month and our craft group meet on the third Tuesday of the month. For more information phone Sue on 01603 783387.

Local History Open Meeting Wednesday 5th July.

Local residents (chaps as well!) are invited to the Hoveton W.I. meeting at Hoveton Village Hall at 2 p.m. Wednesday 5th July when one of our members, Rita Massingham, will talk about the history of the villages of Hoveton & Wroxham starting in the late nineteenth century at the beginning of the holiday boating industry. Rita, her father and grandfather were born in the villages and she has a fund of interesting local stories. Her father, Cecil Chamberlin, was a local businessman, district councillor and freelance reporter with stories published in local and national newspapers. Rita uses her father's comprehensive archive as well as her own life in the area as a basis for her talk. If you are interested in local history this afternoon meeting should not be missed. Entrance will be free and visitors will be very welcome. There will be an invitation after Rita's talk to stay and view the old photos and join us for tea and cake for £1.

WROXHAM AND DISTRICT U3A

Keep your mind and body active by joining U3A, a national organisation for people no longer in full time employment, with branches all over the country. Our local group meets at The Hub, 114 Norwich Road, Wroxham on the third Tuesday of every month at 2.30 with speakers on a wide variety of subjects – visitors are welcome. On June 20th an artist will paint a couple of pictures as we watch! On July 14th we have booked the Southern Comfort for a 3 hour evening trip from Horning. Members take part in a variety of activities in various locations during the month run entirely by other members, including History, Bird Watching, Walking, French conversation, Listening to Music, Swimming, Play Reading, Chess, Garden Visits, Pub Lunches and Evening Dining. At present we have 70 members,

and numbers are rising. The annual subscription is £15, and if you are interested contact our Secretary, Sue Badger on 01603 737572 susanbadger49@btinternet.com

SOLO CLUB.

This is a club for anyone who lives on their own and is 55yrs or over. We meet on the second Tuesday in the month at Hoveton Village Hall at 2.00pm - 4.00pm. Next meeting 13th June. We have the occasional speaker/demonstrator, arrange 2/3 outings during the year, and social/afternoon teas. If you would like more information please ring 782178 or 782730 or just come along to a meeting where you would be welcomed.

1ST WROXHAM GUIDES

At the start of May Wroxham Guides joined Old Catton and Martham Guides for a joint camp at Hautbois. When the girls arrived on Friday evening they pitched their tents and made their own washing up stands (gadgets) using bamboo canes and string. They worked together as a patrol and practiced their knot tying skills. On Saturday morning the girls completed a treasure trail around Coltishall village, before returning to Hautbois for lunch and an afternoon of outdoor activities. The girls split into groups and either participated in canoeing, grass sledging or zip wire. After returning to camp, they then honed their fire lighting skills and in patrols cooked their own evening meal over a small fire. The evening was spent around a camp fire, singing traditional camp songs and toasting marshmallows. Sunday morning the girls once again participated in a selection of outdoor activities, before returning to camp to cook their BBQ lunch. After lunch the tents were packed away, the camp site was tidied and some very tired guides were collected by their parents.

The summer term started on 19th April and since returning the guides have welcomed some Brownies to their meeting and are looking forward to welcoming them again on their next visit. This aims to help the Brownies with their transition from Brownies to Guides and to help to build positive relationships.

The guides have also returned to Hautbois activity centre for an evening of abseiling and zip wiring, with another visit planned for later in the term.

The guides are looking forward to a packed summer programme, which includes a trip to Happisburgh lighthouse, Tubing at Whitlingham, and a district fun day at Banham Zoo.

Brenda Jones, Assistant Guide Leader, 1st Wroxham Guides

For more information about 1st Wroxham Guides please contact Kate on 01603 722665 or email katherine135@btinternet.com

FITNESS FOR ALL!

Have you been told you need to exercise more? Would you like to improve your mobility? Would you prefer to stay local? Try your local community fitness club, run by Neatishead Community Gym! We can't promise you honed hunks or leotard clad lovelies, but we can promise a warm, friendly welcome and expert advice. Our regular members are people just

like you, nervous about walking through our doors but now delighted they did. Come and try us out with a FREE TASTER SESSION. We are open Sundays, Mondays and Wednesdays 8.30 to 12.30. Ring Carol on 01692 535342, or email gym@victoryhall.info to book your session now.

BROADLAND CHESS CLUB

"The end of the season is now drawing near so many of the local and national tournaments are now coming to a close. This is also a frantic time as club championship matches have to be completed and fitted around league and cup matches. This has been busier than usual for Broadland members as the club has been very successful this year and is still playing in all of the competitions.

As previously reported Broadland reached the final of the Norfolk Rapidplay Handicap Cup with two teams, this gave an exciting opportunity to some of the Junior club members and those of the lower divisions to play in a major cup final. Broadland Swallows are the new Champions with the Swifts the runners up. On April 9th a team from Broadland travelled to Bury St Edmunds for the East Anglian Chess Union Club Championships, this was a Jamboree style event, and Broadland finished in second place with Ipswich taking the title.

Members of our club across all skill levels have been producing excellent individual results in tournaments, and continue to represent Norfolk in various national and county competitions. Over 100 players took part in the recent Gt Yarmouth Congress, Karthik Saravanan aged 15, an England Junior international from Gorleston took the Junior prize in a tie with Alex Sheerin from Ipswich.

The UK Chess Challenge is the largest chess tournament in the UK, with over 40,000 entrants. The Norfolk Megafinal was held in Norwich on April 29th with outstanding success for Broadland Juniors. Karthik Saravanan won the u-14/u-15, Preethi Saravanan took the u-12/u-13 section, and Benjie Perry won the u-9's. By winning 3 of the 7 sessions Broadland was the most successful club or school at the tournament. All 3 of our winners plus Darcy Pashley have qualified for the Gigafinal which takes place in Manchester in July.

Our Junior members are proving to be a force to be reckoned with in the future as they continue to grow in both confidence and grading, and we look forward to watching their progress. Senior members offer coaching sessions

and individual tuition for players.

Broadland Chess Club continues to pride itself on promoting chess for all skill levels and abilities and new members are always welcomed to the club. With summer and the end of the season approaching the club will be meeting on Mondays only from the beginning of June until September. We meet at the Kings Head, Coltishall at 19.30, and can be contacted for more information on Facebook and Twitter or through our website."

I have attached some pictures taken at the match between the Swallows and the Swifts.

Pic 1 shows Heather Wells v Darcy Pashley and Justin Singh v Trevor Dennis

Pic 2 shows Darcy, Justin, Bob Grindod and Bruce Carman (the Swallows)

Pic 3 shows Callum Fruish, Heather, Trevor and Paul Coppard (the Swifts)

(All taken by Roy Hughes)

The 4th picture was taken by John Wickham at the Gt Yarmouth congress and features Heather Wells in action.

COUNCIL NEWS

NORTH NORFOLK DISTRICT COUNCIL

Message from County & District Councillor Nigel Dixon

County Council Election My sincere thanks to those of you who supported me in various ways and who voted for me in the County Council election on 4th May; I will continue to represent the Hoveton & Stalham Division on Norfolk County Council in addition to my representing the Hoveton Ward on North Norfolk District Council. I will endeavour to serve everyone in the Division, regardless of party colours, as I am not politically minded and I care passionately about the character and quality of life in North Norfolk and our villages in the Broads.

Many of you will know the Conservative party has a strong working majority now and thus control of Norfolk County Council. The top priorities are to recover financial stability, and to transform and redesign the delivery of services so that they are relevant to today's and future needs and are affordable. The past 4 years has seen unhelpful 'Party Politics' stifle innovation and delay in addressing problems; moreover, there's been far too much reliance on Reserves to balance budgets. The task will be tough but I will do my best to ensure NCC

moves forward and serves Norfolk well in future. Many of you will know I have real concerns about Planning Authorities working in joined up ways to ensure new housing approved by District Councils is matched by adequate roads, transport, employment and service infrastructure capacity, much of which is linked to the role of NCC. The next 4 years will be very challenging for NCC for many reasons, mostly related to the reduced funding from central government and rising demand from an aging population.

Update on Station Rd, Hoveton I have had several meetings with Roys regarding the progress in redeveloping the old Broads Hotel site and have been briefed in detail on the reasons for the delay. Equally, I have made it clear to Roys that the community and NNDC need to see the site put to good use asap; even a temporary use would see the hoarding and the site cleared to greatly improve the street-scene on Station Rd. Similarly, the much smaller site opposite could be developed separately. NNDC have been taking enforcement action against the owners of the Waterside Rooms and the Kings Head Hotel cottage, to both improve the visual condition and to redevelop the buildings, but that has been frustratingly delayed by changes of ownership. However, NNDC are now able to recommence proceedings to force the owners to take responsibility for the unacceptable appearance of their sites. Unfortunately, the law seems weighted heavily in favour of developers and owners so that getting them to comply with obligations and act reasonably is extremely difficult and long winded. However, that shouldn't deter us from using every opportunity to force the pace of change and I will keep you informed of progress.

My contact details, if you wish to raise any other concerns, are: Tel 783885 or e mail: nigel.dixon@norfolk.gov.uk or NigelNDD@aol.com

HOVETON PARISH COUNCIL

News From Hoveton Parish Council

Meet Your Councillors!

In the first of a series of interviews to introduce your Parish Council we spoke to the newly re-elected Chairman of Hoveton Parish Council, Martin Richmond. Martin is a Senior Civil Servant at the Cabinet Office and he moved to the village with his wife and three children in 2009. He has been a member of the Parish Council since 2011.

What is the best thing about being a Parish Councillor?

“I joined the Parish Council shortly after moving to the village to find out more about what was going on in the community and hopefully to have a positive impact on that. I've found the experience to be very rewarding and I feel lucky to be able to contribute something back into the community within which my family and I live.”



What do you like most about living in Hoveton?

“Moving to Hoveton has been the best decision we ever made as a family. Our three children love the rural environment and the easy access to the wonderful Norfolk coastline. We are so well served in the village in terms of transport links and facilities.”

Who would you most like to be stuck in a lift with?

“Tough one, but I’m going to say Mrs. Richmond.”

Who would you least like to be stuck in a lift with?

“Jeremy Kyle.”

What’s the most challenging aspect of being a Parish Councillor?

“So far it has been connecting with our community and attracting new people to join the Parish Council. It’s a focus for us all this year and we hope to see more new faces round the table as we plan ahead for the future of the village. This is especially important now that the Parish Council is also the Sole Trustee of the Hoveton Village Hall and Playing Field charity. It is vital we provide services and facilities that residents want and will use, and for that we need good engagement and participation, so come and join us!”

To find out more about becoming a councillor, contact the Clerk (07572 349600 or clerk@hoveton-pc.org.uk) or come along to the Council’s next meeting.

Tunstead Road

A number of residents have contacted the Parish Council to raise concerns about the increasingly chaotic traffic congestion on Tunstead Road, particularly at the start and end of the school day. The problem seems to have arisen as a result of a decision taken by Broadland High School to place restrictions on buses and staff vehicles from accessing the school site. The Parish Council and several residents have asked the school to revise their decision, or to make alternative provisions for staff parking, in order to ease the traffic congestion outside the school. The Parish Council has offered the school alternative parking facilities at the Village Hall, but this offer has been declined.

Whilst there are outline plans for additional parking on the school site, these are at best some years off, and Hoveton Parish Council feels the current conditions on Tunstead Road are dangerous and unsustainable for all involved. However, the Parish Council cannot enforce changes to the parking situation at the school. Any local residents who have been affected by this matter may therefore wish to bring their concerns directly to the attention of Broadland High School, and help to raise awareness of the situation that's been created by sharing their experiences or photographs of the traffic congestion. The school can be contacted via email (office@broadland.norfolk.sch.uk) or social media (@broadlandhigh on Twitter or www.facebook.com/broadlandhigh).

Anti-Social Behaviour In Hoveton

Hoveton Parish Council was disappointed to receive recent reports of anti-social behaviour in the village. Residents have raised concerns about groups of young people who have been seen scribbling on pavements, throwing stones, and acting in an intimidating manner. The Parish Council has been in touch with Norfolk Constabulary to request that anti-social behaviour in Hoveton be considered as a new policing priority, and to pass on residents' requests that more be done in the village in terms of crime prevention. In the meantime, residents are advised to report anti-social behaviour to the police as or when it takes place, using the 101 non-emergency number (though in an emergency, residents should always call the police on 999). Further advice about anti-social behaviour can be found at: www.norfolk.police.uk/advice/personal-safety/anti-social-behaviour.

Next Meeting – Monday 5th June, 6.30pm

Hoveton Parish Council's next meeting is on Monday 5th June, 6.30pm, in the Jubilee Room at Hoveton Village Hall, and all are welcome to attend. In the meantime, please visit the Council's website (www.hoveton-pc.org.uk) or check the parish noticeboards for updates and information, or to view the minutes of Council meetings.

WROXHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

"A single community divided by a river" was the phrase used at a recent meeting between Wroxham and Hoveton Parish Councils aimed at exploring ways we can work together.

Four councillors including Wroxham Chairman Barry Fiske and Hoveton Chairman Martin Richmond met to see how we can work together more effectively for the benefit of our two villages.

The result is the setting up of a new body - the Wroxham and Hoveton Joint Action Group - which will meet regularly to explore areas of common concern and how we can help each other and provide a more effective service for our residents.

Cllr Fiske commented: “ Wroxham and Hoveton are effectively a single community but we each have a different district council. We don’t even have the same local police beat manager. While we can’t change the way local government is run we hope that by working with our friends in Hoveton we can at least speak with a single voice on matters of joint concern. We hope that our collaboration will bring about a common benefit.”

One of the first fruits of this collaboration will be the holding of joint parish council surgeries. “About half the phone calls to the Wroxham Parish Clerk are actually from people living in Hoveton, “ added Cllr Fiske. “We even have people turning up to Wroxham Parish Council surgeries who want to talk about issues in Hoveton so it would make sense to have councillors from both councils together for a single surgery.”

Other issues on which the two councils hope to work together include the worrying growth in traffic on the Norwich Road. Said Cllr Fiske: “We are only parish councils but we hope that if we speak with a single voice we stand a better chance of being heard.”

It’s hoped the new joint surgeries, to be held at Wroxham Library on the first Saturday of each month - 10.00 to 11.30 - will start on July 1. Keep an eye on our Facebook Page for the latest information and for all our up to dates village news - www.facebook.com/ourwroxham

Norwich Road Traffic

You have probably seen the most recent speed recording equipment set up in Norwich Road - mostly sited at the junction of Norwich Road and The Avenue. It shows motorists the speed they are actually doing in the hope that anyone going too fast will slow down. The equipment is owned by the Parish Council and Cllr Ian Joynson who looks after it has found it has also recorded some interesting information.

Over a 3 month period there were approximately 450,000 vehicles counted travelling in the direction of Norwich. Assuming an equal number going in the opposite direction it would mean we had approaching a million traffic movements on the main road through our village over three months.

The highest speed recorded was frighteningly 75mph - recorded mid morning during a week day. It is suspected the offender involved was a motorcyclist. Average speeds generally hover just below 30 mph during day time hours but increase during hours of darkness.

A Sign Of The Times

The Parish Council is taking a new look at signage on public open spaces. After recent incidents of littering and anti social behaviour at Caen Meadow a new sign is planned which will both welcome residents and visitors but also remind them of their responsibilities in

using this beautiful community asset. It will also urge anyone seeing people misusing the Meadow to call the police non emergency number 101. Recent anti-social behaviour has already been reported to the police by the council and the police have stepped up their patrols of the area. But to catch offenders in the act the police do need people to call them when the incident is happening. Don't hesitate - dial 101.

Neighbourhood Plan

The council has now appointed a Steering Group to work on the plan which will envision the growth and change in our village over the next 20 years. The task will take around 18 months and there will be many opportunities for everyone in the village to have their say. There are four parish councillors on the Steering Group - Barry Fiske, Kim Claxton, Peter Mantle and Malcolm Allsop. There are six other residents who have come forward help - Mick Holden, Moira Holden, Susan Everett, Elaine Allsop, Jo Wicker and Linda Aspland. The council has also appointed a consultant to assist with the project - Rachel Leggett Associates of Norwich. The bulk of the cost of the Neighbourhood Plan is being met by grants from both central and local government.

Cllr John Halford

The council was saddened to hear of the recent death of its immediate past Chairman John Halford. Mr Halford had served on the council for a number of years including several as its chairman. The council observed a minute's silence at its May meeting in his memory.

Contact Wroxham Parish Council: Clerk - Clare Male, Tel: 07803 705434.
Email: wroxhamparishcouncil@gmail.com Web : www.wroxham-pc.org

ARTICLES & PRESS RELEASES

ROYS NEW BAKERY

Quote from Paul Roy - Buying and marketing director.

"We didn't set out to use a design agency to create the look and feel for the new bakery section you see in our Foodhall in Wroxham but we found nothing "off the shelf" really worked. So when the design house we approached created such a nice looking blueprint that met the various requirements of customers and bakers alike it suddenly became a reality. The brief had to reflect that although we are supermarket with volumes going through the foodhall, our own bakers make all of our bread rolls and loaves from scratch rather than just

bake them off as some supermarkets do these days and there really is a difference in quality in my opinion. Some of our products have 12 hour proving times where the mix basically rests, gradually transforming into a dough that's good to bake with - it's a more traditional method. My father, Peter Roy, used to bake to this method in the family bakery in Coltishall up until the early 1970s where some may remember Roys having a standalone bakery that delivered to many stores throughout Norfolk. By going out to local craftsmen we procured handmade sustainably designed fixtures fit for our requirements, hopefully it looks good to existing and future generations of shoppers with workmanship to match that intention and serves the dual masters of efficiency and effectiveness of display. We will be launching more variety in the coming months such as sourdoughs and will keep on striving to serve up the best quality and price that we can."

Please find an Introductory piece from Inspector Lisa Hooper.

I am Lisa Hooper and I am one of the two Local Policing Inspectors for the Broadland District. I am based at Sprowston and I am responsible for the delivery of local policing to the communities of Sprowston, Old Catton, Acle, Wroxham, Blofield, Brundall, Lingwood, Rackheath and of course all the smaller villages around them!

I have been a police officer for 21 years, and have prior to coming to Broadland I had been the Local Policing Inspector for Norwich City Centre, Thorpe Hamlet and Mile Cross. I have only recently moved out of the Broadland area myself, and most of my family live here so I know it well, and it is important to me that local communities are very satisfied with the policing they receive.

Broadland is home to around 126,000 people and my mission is to ensure you receive a first class service when you need us, and also to make sure we are dealing with the local issues which cause you the most concern. We have Safer Neighbourhood Action Panels covering every town and village, so there is always an opportunity for people to get in touch with us and tell us about the things that are happening locally so that we and our partners can work together to ensure Broadland remains one of the safest and happiest places to live in the UK. If you want to get in touch with us you can email us at SNTProwston@norfolk.pnn.police.uk, SNTHorpeStAndrew@norfolk.pnn.police.uk and SNTAcle@norfolk.pnn.police.uk You can follow us on Facebook and Twitter @BroadlandPolice or you can call 101 and ask to speak to Engagement Officer PC Andy Mason or the local Beat Manager

HOVETON VILLAGE HALL

As usual its been a busy month, our AGM was on Wednesday evening and the following issues discussed.

As you will know from previous articles we lost our Treasurer earlier this year and after intensive advertising no one came forward to help so we now have a professional accountant helping us out. Her name is Debbie Williams, she a local lady based over 'the water' in Wroxham.

Numerous invisible repairs have been and continue to be performed on both the Hall, grounds and play equipment. The drain covers in the carpark are to be replaced and Dr. Shields room has been redecorated and new flooring has been laid.

An Art Exhibition by local artists is on display in the main hall - superb work and I believe a piece has already been sold.

Hoveton Football Club have had great success this season and have gone up a league which means that they will be improving their facilities. They hope to change the 2 rooms at the back of the Hall into modern changing rooms, which will of course be open to the wider community to use on non match days.

The Play area has undergone some repairs and will be smarten up within the coming weeks. A big Thank you to Joseph Balaam for volunteering to do the painting. Very grateful for all his help and advise.

The Lions Club intend to bring back the Village Fete on Sunday 13th August! This is wonderful news and we wish them every success. If anyone would like a stand or help out in anyway, please contact me.

The Bowls Club are now holding free Bowling lessons throughout the summer months to encourage new membership. Everyone is welcome!

A Community Survey was advertised in March. Rather disappointingly we didn't receive 1 reply from the residentsso we must be doing something right! However, we put the same survey to the pupils of Broadland High School and a staggering 550 of them took the time to reply! Well done BHS! Their requests were thought out and very reasonable and we hope that with grant money we can improve our outdoor facilities. With this in mind, we would like the Playing Fields to become a proper Park, with flower beds and benches to start off with; adding other amenities over time.

A couple of meetings have taken place now invoking NNDC and their Business advisor.....so watch this space.

In the coming months we hope to instal a proper sign advertising 'what's on'. We have just opened our very own FB page, please like and share. It's only in its early stages and I plan to update it very soon, adding all the users and events coming up etc. Just bear with me on that one, IT ain't my thing - but I'm learning!

We wish to thank Margaret Cannon for her old standing hard work and total commitment towards the Hall and its facilities. Without her at the helm so many things would go unnoticed, neglected and forgotten. She's always on hand for advise and guidance and has helped us all so much over the past 6 months.

That's about it for this month.....if anyone would like to get involved and come and join us, please give me a call - we'd delighted to see you. My number is 07818214277.

Have a nice month Folks! And I'll write to you again soon.

Jilly Gourlay

THE PRESTON ROOMS – THE VILLAGE HALL

The next event in the diary is **The Ashmanhaugh Antiques Roadshow Night** on June 30th. This was a really popular evening last year and once again Keys Auctioneers have agreed to come along and inform us of all the 'treasures' that we have! Entrance will be £2 per person to include refreshments, and £1 per item brought for valuation.

Following the Antiques Evening will be the Village Fete on July 15th, 2 – 4pm at Blacksmith's Farm. We have ordered the usual sunny weather and are keeping our figures crossed! It takes a great deal of work to set up, and is a joint event with the Church, so it would be great if you would come along and support us.

For anyone interested in our village history, the Castle Museum in Norwich has the Ashmanhaugh Boar on display. At the time of writing it is part of the Anglo Saxon section, but do check before making a special visit.

Thank you

Sue Watts

Secretary



Summer is on its way!

Whilst most of us are keeping our fingers crossed for a warm upcoming summer, our furry friends may be hoping for cooler times. Here are a few tips to keep in mind as the

weather warms to try to help keep our animals healthy.

Dogs:

- Avoid walking in the heat of the day – get out first or last thing in the day when the temperature is cooler. Reduce the duration of exercise and take water on walks with you.
- Keep long and thick coated dog breeds trimmed short during the summer months. Remember dog groomers can get particularly busy so book in advance.

- Hot tarmac can lead to burns and blisters on the pads of dogs feet - before going for a walk, place the back of your hand on the tarmac, if you cant keep it there for five seconds, then its too hot for your dog to walk on!
- Dogs die in hot cars (and caravans, and conservatories!) - temperatures inside the vehicle can rapidly soar to double that of the outside air temperature within minutes. Ideally avoid making your dog travel in the car on warm days, but if its absolutely necessary then be sure to keep journeys short, keep windows open, air con on and consider cooling devices such as cooling mats, travel water bowls etc. Be sure to assess your dog for signs of overheating regularly and most importantly NEVER leave a dog unattended in a vehicle. If you do see a dog in a car on a warm day, showing signs of heat stroke, please phone the RSPCA or the police and follow their advice.

Heatstroke – signs of heat stroke include excessive panting and salivating, vomiting, depression, weakness, seizures, collapse. If you suspect heatstroke, move your animal to a cool or shaded area, offer water, cover in cool water and contact your vet immediately – heat stroke can be fatal if not dealt with quickly.

Cats - Did you know that white haired and thin haired cats are prone to sun burn? The ear pinnae (ear flaps) are the usual site affected, and this can contribute to development of cancer later in life. The best way to manage this is to apply a light layer of animal friendly sunblock to the ears on sunny days.



Rabbits - Like dogs and cats, these furry friends often enjoy a spot of sunbathing but aren't immune to the potential side effects. Make sure water is topped up and easily accessible at all times, and ensure areas of shade are always available.

Be Flystrike aware - this is a tragic disease and can easily catch you out. The condition most commonly affects rabbits, but can potentially happen in any species. Flystrike involves flies laying eggs on/around the animal, which hatch out as maggots and begin eating on the

animals flesh. This occurs in warm weather, where there is soiled bedding or where the animal is vulnerable such as the elderly, overweight or debilitated. Avoidance involves making sure the environment is generally clean, treating wounds immediately and ensuring animals are not soiled with urine or faeces. For rabbits be sure to check their bottoms daily, and consider applying preventative spot on treatments. Should you suspect your animal of having this condition, seek veterinary advice immediately.

Joanne Phillips MRCVS. Bridge Vets 01603 783920.

WESTOVER VETERINARY CENTRE

As the weather warms up we see more and more itchy dogs walk through the doors of the practice. Some of our patients are suffering from skin parasites, commonly fleas, so it is important rule these out first. If your pet is treated properly for parasites and is repeatedly itchy there is a fair chance that they are suffering from allergic skin disease, although a number of tests are required to definitively make the diagnosis.

Atopy is one of the most common types of allergy in dogs, estimated to affect up to 15% dogs. It is hereditary and can lead to allergies against the pollen of some plants (e.g. grasses, weeds, trees), fungi or various dust and storage mites. Certain breeds appear to be at higher than average risk such as the Lhasa Apso, Schnauzer, Boxer, Labrador, Golden Retriever, Poodle, West Highland White Terrier, Cairn Terrier and Jack Russell Terriers.

The initial symptoms usually appear before 3 years of age and include frequent licking or biting of the paws and the rubbing of the head along the floor or other objects. Recurrent ear infections can also be caused by atopy (in over 75% of the cases). Sneezing, a discolouration of the fur (from licking) and eye infections are also observed in some patients.



Treatment is often aimed at keeping the skin and ears free of infection and suppressing the itchiness, but we do now have another option which can reduce the allergy itself rather than just leaving us treating the symptoms. This treatment is called “immunotherapy” and involves

making specific vaccines for each individual to desensitise them to the allergens they test positive for. It is proven to reduce clinical signs in 75% of dogs and is proving to be a great help in many of our patients. It is, however, most useful when used early in the course of the disease, so if you think your pet may have a skin allergy then it would be best to book them in with your vet to discuss things further.

Toby Morrell MRCVS Westover Veterinary Centre

NOTICES

A date for your diaries from the Artists of the Two Rivers Trail.

By kind invitation of the Nancy Oldfield Trust, we will be holding our first Midsummer Art and Craft Fair on 1st and 2nd July at the Nancy Oldfield Centre, Irstead Road, Neatishead.

Your 'Wroxham Community Speed Watch'

Due to many complaints regarding speeding traffic in our village Wroxham Community Speed Watch was formed. You have probably seen us in action at various points around Wroxham. There are about 73 such groups across Norfolk, staffed entirely by volunteers.

Just their presence alone seems to slow the speed of traffic. However, the watches constantly record drivers at reportable speeds. This leads to these drivers receiving a warning letter from Norfolk Police. I'm sure you would agree that the Speed Watchers are carrying out good and valued work on behalf of the community. To continue and to expand on this important work within Wroxham we would welcome new members to our friendly group. More members mean more watches, more watches mean more speeding vehicles reported and even more vehicles educated to remain within the speed limit.

So, if YOU have 90mins a month or more to help, and would like to become involved, please ring the coordinator for more information on 784944. Training and a warm welcome will be given.

WROXHAM CHURCH HALL is available for hire during the day. It has a modern kitchen, good facilities and good car parking.

For more information ring Janet Benson, Tel: 10603 783140

ON ROAD PARKING ON TUNSTEAD ROAD

I have written to the Headmaster at Broadland High School regarding the parking in Tunstead Road, on both sides of the school gates. I think it is very dangerous and am concerned that once committed to overtaking the line of cars parked bumper to bumper and unable to see what traffic is coming from the village there is nowhere to go. There is going to be a serious accident here. The Headmaster has advised me that he has requested the use of some parking spaces at the community centre at the rear of the school but have not been allowed to use this area. He also advised me that they are at the early stages with Norfolk County Council of further developing the school site which includes increasing the number of parking spaces available. This is progressing slowly but if the local residents were to write to Chris Hey at Norfolk County Council(chris.hey@norfolk.gov.uk) expressing their concerns about the current parking arrangements this may add some weight to getting the project started sooner.

If anyone else is concerned could they please write to Chris Hey.

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SHOCK! HORROR! WROXHAM MAN BITTEN BY HERON

Read all about it. PLUS all the latest information from Wroxham Parish Council on <http://www.wroxham-pc.org/> or check it out on <http://mywroxham.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/> <http://mywroxham.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/>. On both sites click on BITTEN BY HERON. (Don't worry, the heron lived, reports Keith Turner).

THIS MONTH'S COVER

Had you lived in Hofa's Dun - Hoveton - in the Bronze Age, this is probably what you would have been doing at Midsummer: jumping over a fire. Or you might have done it earlier in May at the great festival of Beltane to honour the Celtic fire god Bel (or Belenus) and the goddess of lakes and rivers Belisama and to celebrate new life.

The people living in the Dun (enclosure) of Hofa the Chieftain, not far from the present village centre, would have been glad to celebrate new life, as their lives were probably governed by death and funerary rites, for Hoveton was then bounded by a huge cemetery which in old English was called 'the place of the dead' or, as we know it, Belaugh: that name also has resonances of old Bel. The cemetery may have been like that discovered at Irthlingborough in Northamptonshire, and it ran from Coltishall to Belaugh Green and beyond: a huge site, with attendant burial mounds and hutments, and perhaps a wood henge at its heart. People would have come for miles to the great ceremonies at Belaugh, and it is entirely possible that the glacial outflow channel which cuts across the Belaugh Road found use as a ceremonial causeway for funeral parties arriving by water, especially as the setting sun shines directly along it at the Winter Solstice. Not everyone had the luxury of a barrow as a resting place and most of the bodies are likely to have been cremated or left on low willow altars for excarnation - in effect 'sky burials'. This is probably how Wroxham got its old English name of 'the homestead where the buzzards are': there would have been plenty for them to thrive on nearby. It is also interesting that St John is the patron of the older Hoveton church, for his Feastday falls on the Summer Solstice and elements of the old pre-Christian rites (including the bonfires) are still practiced under his name in many countries today. The Feast of St Peter is only a few days later, and he is the patron of both Belaugh and Hoveton St Peter churches. Perhaps the intercession of St John and St Peter was thought to be especially powerful in countering 'the old religion' still practiced here when St Fursey and his missionaries started working out from their chapel at Burgh Castle! (c) Nick Walmsley 2017.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

WROXHAM AND HOVETON GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME.

W&HGNS are holding a coffee morning in conjunction with Reads Pharmacy on the mornings of June 30th and July 1st from 10.00 to 12.00. Weather permitting, it will be held in the car park just beside the pharmacy. Coffee, cakes and biscuits are kindly being supplied by the pharmacist and his wife, so this is your chance to come along and meet our volunteers, find out about our work in the community and how we can be of further help.

Midsummer Art and Craft Fair -- the Artists and Alpacas of the Two Rivers Trail

We'd love you to join us at the Nancy Oldfield Centre, Irstead Road, Neatishead, for this our first Midsummer Fair - 1st and 2nd July. Our work is largely inspired throughout the calendar by living and working here within our lovely Broadland villages. Do come and share this weekend with

us; chat with the artists, your friends, your neighbours and visitors about the images and inspiration of our locality that delight you. Meet Annie's alpacas too; they're remarkably intriguing!!

10 am- 4 pm each day.

Disabled Parking at the Centre. Other free parking nearby - follow the signs.

We very much look forward to seeing you over this exciting Midsummer weekend.

Kit Calladine (on behalf of the Two Rivers Trail Artists)

JUBILANT JUNE AT THE MUSEUM OF THE BROADS

The longer days are upon us and it's a great time to visit the Museum of the Broads at Stalham. The hours of opening are extending to 10am to 4.30pm Sunday to Friday and 10am to 1pm on Saturday.

Why not pop in and catch this year's 'Broadland in Pictures' exhibition, featuring contemporary and historic art and souvenirs from the Broads? We also have a number of new exhibits this year including our airborne lifeboat simulator, so yet another reason to #makeitstalham this June.

This month sees some of the two great events of the year, the Steam Day on 11th June and the Jazz evening on 24th June. Added into this is free entry to all accompanied fathers on 18th June for Father's day.

The Steam Day focuses on everything steam from engines and vehicles to our lovely Victorian steam launch! Maybe it's a nostalgic thing, but what's not to love about the smell of steam and the fascinating old engineering which formed the basis of the Industrial Revolution?

The Jazz evening is a great evening. We are delighted that Savoir Faire's sublime jazz will again be floating across our beautiful riverside location and Tipple's Brewery will be running a beer tent too. Personally I hope that the lady with the 3 tier cake stand will be there! Why not bring a picnic and make an evening of it?

Dates for your diary – Sat 01 July is our 16th Art Challenge. Call the Museum if you want a day by the river, with expert tuition and a chance to win a prize! Sat 08 July is a charity

auction of promises and items. If you have anything you can donate to the Museum, please let Nicola or Reg know. Every little helps, thank you.

Just check out our Trip Adviser reviews or keep up to date with all of our latest news at www.museumofthebroads.org.uk or Twitter @MuseumBroads or our Facebook page.

Museum of the Broads, Stalham Staithe, NR12 9DA, 01692 581681

We will be holding a
Summer Concert
Where Classical and Show songs
Will be performed by
Hayley Moss (Soprano)
&
Benjamin Lake (Tenor)
The Concert will be held in
Hoveton St John Church (A1062)
On
Thursday 15th June 2017 at 7.30pm
Tickets are available from
Roger & Sarah Tomkins on 01692-630892
Tickets are £10.00 each to include
Wine / Soft Drinks & Light Refreshments
IN AID OF HOVETON ST JOHN CHURCH

Woolly Worstead Weekend June 10th and 11th 10am - 4pm at The Weavers Workshop and Village Hall Dilham NR28 9PT.

Lots of 'Woolly' fun, free children's activities , Craft stalls and traders, meet the alpacas, entertainment and refreshments. Admission £2 Adults, children free.

DUSSINGDALE COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

The sale will be held on Sunday July 30th, from 10am to 3pm.

There will be a huge customer raffle and refreshments will be available.

Maps will be available to buy on the day (50p each) at 9.30am onwards, from around the estate itself.

Any money raised will go to The Friends of Thorpe Parks Group, to improve our public spaces.

HORNING CINEMA AT THE VILLAGE HALL

Friday 9th June 2017 screening DEEPWATER HORIZON starring Mark Wahlberg, Kate Hudson, Dylan O'Brien and Kurt Russell. One of the world's largest man-made disasters occurred on the Deepwater Horizon of the Gulf of Mexico.

Directed by Peter Berg (Lone Survivor), this story honours the brave men and women whose heroism would save many on board, and change everyone's lives forever.....

Doors open **7.00 p.m. for 7. 30 p.m. start.** Cert. 12A, running time 103 minutes. (2016)

Tickets: Adult £5 accompanied Child (16 and under) £1 on sale at Tidings Newsagents, Lower Street, Horning and on the door (if unsold). Telephone 01692-630434. Free Tea/Coffee. Ice Cream and nibbles available to purchase.

Friday 14th July 2017 - WATCH THIS SPACE!