

# PARISH NEWS

LISTON : PENTLOW : FOXEARTH : BORLEY

July/August 2019

## **BRILLIANT, BREATHTAKING, BEAUTIFUL**

Liston Midsummer Music could not get much better than its concert on Saturday 22nd June.

Liston church was the setting for an amazing concert featuring harp and flute. What was even more amazing, was the calibre of musicians. Anne Denholm, Official Harpist to HRH The Prince of Wales and Alena Walentin, renowned Russian flautist, both trained at The Royal Academy of Music. Quentin met Anne at an audition at the Purcell School for Young Musicians and works with Alena at The Dartington International Summer School of Music.

Anne held the audience spellbound as she coaxed her harp to produce exquisite sounds from the plucked strings. Her delicate fingers belied the strength required to produce a note, let alone a complete music score. Anne made light of the number of pages in her

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## **TWO HENRY'S**

Despite stiff competition, Henry Ford & Henry Griffiths prevailed, and were declared champions of the Borley Wellie Wanging event 2019. Henry won the coveted junior championship 2 years ago and he is now in line to win the golden boot - assuming, that is, that he can win next year! This year his winning wang was 42 feet. Henry Ford was a new entrant into the adult section and blew the field away with a wang of 88 feet.

Our picture shows the successful champs with Trish Turner, chair of Borley Village Hall Committee.

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musical score, but the concentration she exuded was testament to a dedicated musician who kept nothing in reserve and gave of her all. Anne Denholm was simply fantastic. Her playing beautiful.

Alena Walentin, who started playing the flute at age 7, was persuaded to audition for the prestigious Royal Academy of Music and was fortunate to be granted a full scholarship - such was her talent and ability. Alena brought precision to her playing. The range that she obtained from the silver instrument was breathtaking (although I wondered where she took a breath!) and her movement sublime.

One could see both musicians living the music in their minds eye. Furrowed brows, emotional smiles and the joy expressed in the interpretation of each piece held the audience in awe. This was a concert of huge proportions for 'Little Liston' and Liston should be suitably proud of its achievement in bringing these two talented ladies to one of our churches in the parish.

The programme of music ranged from Debussy's 'The Girl with the Flaxen Hair' to Faure's Pavane, to Gareth Farr (a reasonably new New Zealand composer).

At the interval, the Liston Community provided a delicious selection of canapés and wine laid, out in the churchyard where audience members were able to mingle, while enjoying the delights of the wonderful summer evening.

Quentin Poole and Ian McMillan deserve a huge round of applause for spearheading this concert and giving us all the advantage of seeing and listening to internationally celebrated musicians. Thank you both and thank you Liston.

*Kelvin Hastings-Smith*

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## ***Ruminations from the Rectory.....***

Dear Friends,

I am writing this on a wet day at the very beginning of June, just before we go off to Wenhaston on holiday. We shall be chilling out , going to concerts at the Aldeburgh Festival, seeing to the garden, meeting friends for meals and relaxing.

So many people are having operations postponed it really means nothing can be planned, you get psychologically geared up, and then you find it has been put off. This is difficult for all the family. So, my hope and prayers for all of you awaiting surgery, is that it soon goes ahead and that you will all make good recoveries. Be assured of my prayers, even whilst on hols.

In July many children will be leaving their primary school for the very different pace and environment of new “big schools”. Others at big schools will be waiting for results and moving away either to college, university, apprenticeships or jobs. All these transitions are exciting, but also a little daunting at the same time. Other people are being married in summer, another life transition, such a special day and rather wonderful when couples choose to do this in church in the presence of their family and friends but, above all in God’s presence blessing them on their special day. We also have a number of baptisms coming up where we welcome our newest and tiniest member of the church. The Churches here are praying for you all at these times of transition. Others are grieving the loss of loved ones and trying to make sense of how life will be now. Having a faith does provide an anchor, and our Christian hope is that our dearest people are being kept safe in God’s eternal love.

This benefice is celebrating another transition, in the coming of our new Team Vicar, Revd Gill Morgan, who will have been licensed and installed at Belchamp Walter Church on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June. We hope and pray that she, and her husband Barry, will feel very welcome as they move into the Vicarage at Belchamp St Paul and we pray that they will spend many happy years in our little communities.

Whatever your plans for this summer, do enjoy some quality time resting, playing, relaxing - whether or not you can go away. We have some wonderful summer fetes coming up and it is always good to attend events at other village too, where you can enjoy yourself without having done any of the hard work. To those who work so hard to put on the fetes, concerts etc a very big thank you for enriching our communities in this way. Last, but not least, do look at our lovely new website dedicated to our special month long Festival of arts, due to take place in October, featuring music, crafts and much, much more [www.southstourchurchesfestival.org](http://www.southstourchurchesfestival.org) It is a joy to be supported by so many good, creative people, putting their hearts and souls into making sure about 36 events take place to put North Hinckford firmly on the cultural map.

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# FOXEARTH GAMES NIGHT

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July & 2<sup>nd</sup> August  
7.30 - 9.30 pm

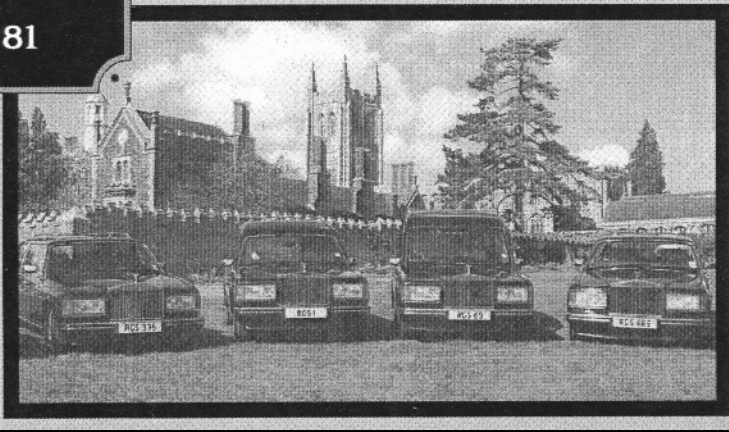
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# FOXEARTH & DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

## Recording Headstones & Memorials

A guided talk by Helen Richardson

Meet at Sudbury Cemetery Chapel  
on Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> July at 7 pm



The Suffolk Family History Society, Sudbury and District Group have been recording local headstones for over 10 years. Sudbury Cemetery holds some interesting Headstones and beautiful trees.

Each burial is recorded and the actual wording can give descendants useful clues about the ancestors' lives, their occupation, several family members with different surnames together or the person actually buried elsewhere can be such a help. Even if you are not researching your family tree, a walk through a graveyard / cemetery can be interesting.

## Visit to

## Stow Maries Great War Aerodrome

Maldon, Essex, CM3 6RN

on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> August



After a brief introduction to the site & its original WW1 buildings, including two short films, there will be a guided tour, with history of the Aerodrome from 1916, seeing the aircraft in their hangars, its wildlife & the ongoing restoration work. Lunch follows in the Airmen's Mess.

Felix 19 seater coach is planned to pick up from Foxearth and Pentlow Village Halls at approx 9.30 am.

Cost £35 per member, including minibus, entry fees and lunch.

If you would like more information or help with transport contact  
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# FOXEARH MEADOWS NATURE RESERVE

## Special Events

### Marvellous Meadows : Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> July

A FREE family event for National Meadows Day. There will be craft and nature activities, and Gainsborough House will be bringing their newly-built Camera Obscura. Come any time between 11 am and 4 pm. No need to book, but children do need to be accompanied by an adult.

### Bat Walk : Friday, 12 July

with Sarah White of the Essex Bat Group

You will need to book in advance for this event (contact Mark on 07548 209652). We will meet at 8.00 pm for campfire bread-making. At 9.00 pm there will be a short talk on bats and bat detectors before the walk begins at 9.30 pm. No charge, but donations welcome to A Rocha UK, the charity which owns the Meadows.

### Open Air Service : Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> September at 3pm

#### Moth Nights (20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) trapping session

Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> September (evening)/Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> September (morning)

## WORK PARTIES - VOLUNTEERING ON THE RESERVE

### UPCOMING DATES : 5, 12, 19 & 26 July & 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 August

This spring has seen regular working parties each Friday, with some new volunteers swelling our ranks. We may enjoy the odd break for coffee, cake and chat, but seem to have made good progress with the jobs in hand.

A stile was built to help people along the riverside path where an electric fence had been installed to keep the rare breed cattle to the north end of the reserve during the breeding season for birds. That stile was soon enhanced by the addition of a lifting gate wide enough for barrows, etc - all done by upcycling scavenged materials.

The reason for fencing off a part of the reserve was to allow the vegetation on the south and western part to grow tall for incoming migrant birds. To encourage the cattle to graze well, we cut back and raked off canary grass and last year's nettles and thistles in the drier meadow areas on the other side of the wire. Our hope is that we will be seeing some greater variety of flora develop.

One challenging task this spring was to build contraction joints into the boardwalk. The contractors who installed the walk did a neat job, but hadn't calculated for the expansion

and contraction capacity of the recently developed recycled plastic material. It was striking to see evidence of the force created by contraction in the broken fence posts. With some careful thinking, and a supply of replacement materials, Mark and a volunteer team have been able to repair and reorganise the damaged sections in a way that we hope will now handle the changes in temperature over a year on the reserve.

Some of our tasks are basic maintenance, like clearing brush and maintaining paths. Some of our tasks are more technical, such as monitoring water quality and setting up transects for breeding bird surveys. We continue to try and take off plastic from the reserve and have also made great strides in removing unnecessary or hazardous barbed wire.

Mark has plenty of tasks in store for us over the summer. Apart from general maintenance, we will be concentrating on caring for the hedge planting from last year. We meet most Fridays, starting at 10.00 am and are always pleased to have new volunteers join us. Some people offer mornings, some stay through the lunch-hour into the afternoon. There are light or heavy jobs, to suit you. Heavy-duty gloves and safety boots can be supplied. Remember parts of the reserve are muddy, even in summer.

**Andy Jowitt**

## **FOXEARTH MEADOWS NEWS**

May saw several 'firsts' for Foxearth Meadows nature reserve.

On 23 May they hosted their first all-day school visit, when 31 Year 3 children from Great Waldingfield C of E Primary School came with class teachers, teaching assistants and parent helpers. They all had a chance to have a go at the three activities: a nature trail, pond-dipping and drawing from nature.

That same week they also hosted their first theological college student on placement. James has been, variously, a lawyer and a teacher, and is soon to begin a curacy at the other end of Chelmsford Diocese. He joined in activities on the reserve and visited local churches which have embarked on the Eco Church challenge. A second ordinand is spending a week with us, travelling across from Westcott House in Cambridge.

The third 'first' was on 25 May when Stella Davis led a day to encourage people to draw and paint from nature. The programme is called 'FoxyARTH'. Stella is an artist/printmaker, and also a Methodist lay preacher in the Stowmarket area. She has a knack of encouraging people to have a go. The 15 participants included a little group from L'Arche in Ipswich. (L'Arche communities are worldwide and include people with and without learning disabilities living together.)



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Email: [mark.prina@arocha.org](mailto:mark.prina@arocha.org)

Working hours: Mon/WedThurs/Fri 09:00 to 17:30

# **GARDEN PARTY**



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### **Meeting Dates / Times**

#### **Social Events**

Sat 27<sup>th</sup> July

Garden Party 2- 4 pm

#### **Evening Meetings**

(June/July/August - No evening meeting)

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> September Quiz Night.

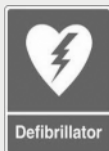
Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> October TBA.

Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> November Christmas Social & Fundraiser

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> December No Evening Meeting

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month 7 – 9 pm The Common Lands Room, The Christopher Centre, 10 Gainsborough Street, Sudbury CO10 2EU

**Café Club @ Assington Country Kitchen:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month 12 - 2 pm Assington Country Kitchen, Assington, CO10 5LW



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Foxearth Village Hall, School Street, Foxearth CO10 7JE

# FOXEARTH CHURCH

## SONGS OF PRAISE

Sunday 4th August 2019 10.30am

On the first Sunday in the month Foxearth Church usually has a lay-led service, with a guest speaker, But, we are departing from this format in August to have a Songs of Praise consisting of hymns chosen by the congregation, interspersed with readings and prayers. These services have been happy occasions in the past, with a very varied selection of hymns and a few surprises. If you would like to have a hymn included, please get in touch with one of us

**Fiona 375474**

**Ken 375688**

**Margaret 375688**

It would be lovely if you would be prepared to say a few words about your choice and why you have picked it - but this is by no means a condition of entry! We do not want you to feel embarrassed - just come along and enjoy the service.

**There will be coffee and cake at the end!**

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### Annual

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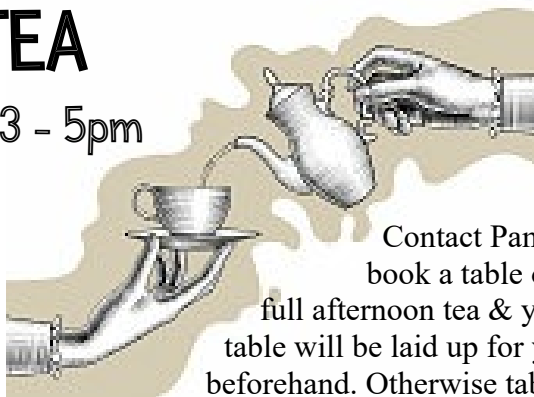
# FOXEARTH VILLAGE

## AFTERNOON TEA

TUESDAY, 20<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 3 - 5pm

Please join us for tea,  
cakes and scones !!!!

If the weather is fine, tea  
will be served on the  
lawn at Foxearth Hall



Contact Pam to  
book a table or a  
full afternoon tea & your  
table will be laid up for you  
beforehand. Otherwise tables  
will be laid in twos & fours so  
just come along for tea & various cakes!!!!

**All Welcome!!!!!!**

*In case of inclement weather, head for  
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# FOXEARTH VILLAGE HALL

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On Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> May, a delicious looking selection of cakes, scones and savouries was set out at Foxearth Village Hall, in anticipation of a crowd of customers for their coffee morning.

Pam and Hilary were busy slicing and serving the comestibles, whilst John



efficiently served the coffee and tea to the 50 or so visitors. A profit of £32.05 was made

David Mercer was doing brisk business with a fine choice of robust looking plants which he was offering for sale.



Later in the morning,

Vaughan Preston, on behalf of Community Heartbeat, gave a very informed and interesting talk and demonstration in the use of a defibrillator, one of which can be found at Foxearth Village Hall.



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for further information.



# CRAFTSMAN'S ART AND MUSIC'S MEASURE

30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER – 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2019

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## **ONLY A FEW PLACES LEFT!!!**

### **PILGRIMAGE 2020**

**31 March – 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

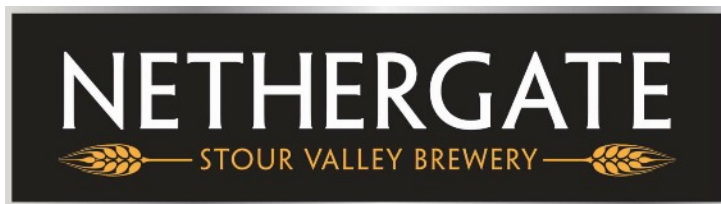
### **Launde Abbey, Leicestershire**

The 2020 Pilgrimage will be my last before we retire. We are going to return to Launde Abbey in Leicestershire from Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March till Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020. It is such a special peaceful place and I have lots of ideas of places to visit and people to meet, as well as building in time just doing nothing in gracious surroundings, with very good food! Our theme will be The Annunciation: Mary's "let it be!". The cost will be around £250- £280 and all rooms are ensuite.

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# In a "Pentlow Country Garden"

by Susan Fenner



In "Foxearth Meadows" I did read  
That many birds live there and breed.  
I live quite close and so thought I  
Why is it that they pass me by?



HOWEVER

A family friend and nephew came  
Nick, an Ornithologist, of local fame.

In the sunshine we did sit  
When Nick announced - "A coal tit".  
Out came the binoculars poised on high  
To see what else he could espy.

Finches and a blackcap he could see  
High up in the tall Sycamore tree.  
Suddenly up he leapt - "Quick, look look Auntie Sue"

A young buzzard overhead quietly flew.  
Now, robins, wrens, blackbirds and tits I know  
Pigeons, doves, woodpeckers and sparrows,  
Chaffinches, magpies, dunnocks and swallows .

Then those which make occasional visits,  
Wagtails, thrushes, yellow hammers and long tailed tits.

To spot these birds I now realise  
I must sit still, scan trees, seas and skies.  
Those powerful binoculars must be to hand,  
Look, listen carefully and tune into -  
"COUNTRY BIRD BAND".



I am so glad these birds choose to come  
To share with me my "County Home."



British  
RedCross

## British Red Cross Collection

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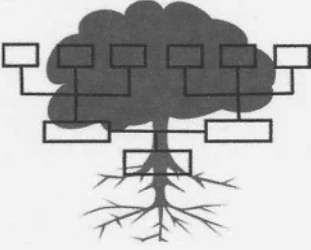
*Margaret*

## CLUES ACROSS

- 1 The final moves in a match e.g. chess (7)
- 5 Olfactory organ (4)
- 7 Words about 5 down beach on which British army landed on D day! (5)
- 8 Object towards which an attack is directed (6)
- 10 The longest river in Africa (4)
- 11 The capital of Bosnia and Herzegovina (8)
- 13 Interval between musical note and the same note 7 notes higher (6)
- 14 Small advertisement! (6)
- 17 Next real formation for outside space! (8)
- 19 Beach in 5 down on which Canadian troops landed on D day (4)
- 21 Hitler's deputy, . . . . . Hess who flew to Scotland in 1941 to attempt peace talks (6)
- 22 Branch traditionally offered as peace token (5)
- 23 Informal word for potato (4)
- 24 Let Tory arrange national flutter! (7)

## CLUES DOWN

- 1 General Dwight . . . . . , Supreme commander of Allied forces on D day (10)
- 2 Small bead of liquid (7)
- 3 . . . . de Camp, confidential advisor to senior military officer (4)
- 4 Runs not attributed to batsmen in innings total (6)
- 5 Region of France where Allied invasion of 1944 took place (8)
- 6 Military operation cutting off enemy supplies and escape routes (5)
- 9 General Bernard . . . . . , Commander of land forces on D day (10)
- 12 Operation . . . . . , codename for the Allied invasion of W. Europe 1944 (8)
- 15 Learned - otherwise E U tired! (7)
- 16 Legal (6)
- 18 Card chosen to outrank other suits in bridge and whist (5)
- 20 Service delivering letters, parcels (4)



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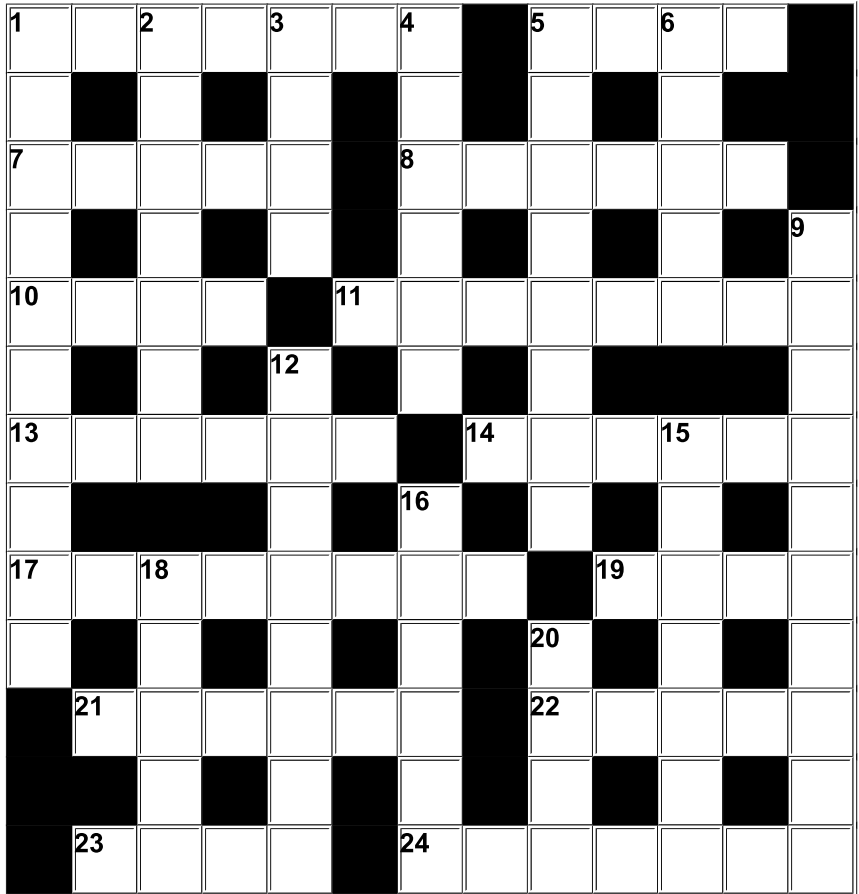
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**PRIZE CROSSWORD No. 238** On 6th June all news outlets reported the commemoration of the 75th anniversary of D day and some names from this historic and heroic invasion have formed the starting point for this compilation. With the usual summer recess you have an extra 4 weeks to get your entry in to The Editors (by 12th August please) and - as ever - I've been unable to resist the occasional cryptic clue!

*Ken Nice*

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**JUNE WINNER PRIZE CROSSWORD**

**Peter Highmore**

A bottle of wine will be winging its way to you shortly

**Prize Crossword No 237 June Solution Across:** 1 Bat, 3 Ash, 5 China, 8 Rouge, 9 Academy, 10 Side, 11 Pendulum, 13 Dorset, 14 Dental, 7 Somerset, 19 Idle, 22 Enclose, 23 Wilts, 24 Drone, 25 Net, 26 Ray. **Down:** 1 Boris, 2 Thunder, 3 Aden, 4 Huawei, 5 Chandler, 6 Ideal, 7 Abysmal, 12 Fearsome, 13 Descend, 15 Tiddler, 16 Severn, 18 Macho, 20 Essay, 21 Swot.

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# FOXEARTH & LISTON PARISH COUNCIL

Saturday morning, 25th May, was a busy one for the Council as the 4 members - with 5 local residents present - dealt with three meetings. These were the Annual meeting of electors (formerly the Annual villages meeting), the Annual meeting of the Council and a Full council meeting. As there was inevitably some overlapping of the agendas, rather than writing about each meeting I have summarised the discussions under subjective headings. Full minutes of each meeting are available on the Council's web site.

**Chairman's report:** Cllr Tony Clayton presented his review of the year. The major event was the rejection by Braintree District Council of the planning application from Redding Park Developments for Stafford Park. He outlined fully the arguments against the scheme and the responses given by the developers and thanked District Councillor, Iona Parker, for her support for those opposing the development. It was possible that an appeal would be lodged but unknown whether the Planning Inspectorate would allow this in view of the apparent weight of evidence against the development.

The Chairman explained that Cllrs Corinne and Phil Cox had not offered themselves for re-election on 2nd May, owing to family commitments and, on behalf of both villages, he expressed sincere thanks to them for their long years of service and the hard work they had contributed. In particular, Corinne would be missed for her admirable ability to recall decisions and events long in the past!

This leaves two vacancies which the Council would attempt to fill by co-options.

**Essex County Council:** C Cllr David Finch submitted his apologies for absence. There was no report available

**Braintree District Council:** Cllr Iona Parker reported that, as a result of the elections on 2nd May the makeup of the Council is now 34 Conservative, 7 Independent, 6 Green and 2 Labour - total 49 members. The Council has purchased a 65 acre site in Gt Notley of which 40 acres are planned to be developed. The purchase has aroused a great deal of interest in companies wanting to expand into the district. Fifteen new councillors would undergo training.

**County Broadband:** The Chairman referred to the disruption being caused by road diversions necessary for trenching of Gigaclear cables. Cllr Mark Posen noted that CB had faced some problems in getting cables laid across fields; the individual connections would not be possible until later in the year - hopefully Oct/Nov time.

**Officers:** The following were elected: Chairman Cllr Tony Clayton, Vice-Chairman Cllr Mark Posen.

**Public Forum:** A resident asked about the clearing of foliage at Rodbridge to improve visibility and this would be taken up with County highways. In reply to a question about the renovation of Foxearth village sign the Clerk stated that this would be done on 25th June. A resident enquired as to the stage the renovation of the war memorial in the Foxearth churchyard had reached; this would be referred to the Parochial Church Council. To no one's surprise the problem of potholes was mentioned once again.

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**Traffic Issues Working Party:** All councillors had volunteered to serve on this body to look at traffic issues in the villages but no local residents had come forward. An attempt to remedy this would be made through email contacts and a notice in the Parish News

**Footpath update:** Cllr Keith Robson gave details of action taken in relation to clearing work. He was attempting to get information on County cutting schedules. In connection with matters involving local farmers, Mr David Fahie offered his help and suggested that a telephone call to the landowner concerned would - nine times out of ten - resolve an issue and would be quicker than embarking upon an exchange of emails.

**Planning:** It was reported that applications for (a) the conversion of a barn in Liston to residential accommodation and (b) the removal of two trees in Foxearth churchyard - one of which was dead and the other undermining the lych gate footing - have been granted by Braintree District Council and the work has been done. An application for tree height reduction at a house in Foxearth would be considered by the District Council.

**Meetings:** The possibility of reducing the number of Council meetings from 6 to 4 a year was discussed and it was agreed to make no change.

**Next meeting:** Saturday 27th July at 9.45am in Foxearth Village Hall

*Ken Nice*

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- Prune early flowering shrubs when they have finished flowering, such as *Philadelphus*; cut back flowered growth to a strong shoot, and thin out to a fifth of old woody stems.
- Continue to feed hanging baskets with a high potassium fertiliser.
- Summer-prune wisteria this month or next, cutting back the long whippy shoots to 5 or 6 buds from a main stem.
- Fill in any bare patches within carpet-forming alpines with a gritty compost to encourage new growth.
- Take semi-ripe cuttings from evergreen shrubs and hedging plants.
- Water new plants well in dry periods.
- Lift and divide bearded iris. Retain young pieces with leaves, trim to 6 inches, and replant in a sunny place..
- Continue to harvest summer raspberries. Then, when finished, cut the fruited canes to soil level; tie in new canes to supports 4 inches apart.
- Lift spring-planted garlic bulbs once the foliage yellows and dry in a single layer in the sun, or under glass.
- Pinch out climbing beans as they reach the tops of supports.
- Inspect tomatoes to check for fruit splitting and rot – discard any found; water well to prevent further damage.
- Pick herbs often to make them bushy.
- Lift first early potatoes by the end of the month, as the second crop becomes ready.

**Cavendish Horticultural Society at 7.30pm at Cavendish Village Hall**

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# VILLAGE KITCHEN BY SALLY HAM

## CHICKEN TRAY BAKE WITH PEPPERS

### Ingredients

2 onions, quartered  
2 red peppers, seeds removed, quartered  
1 yellow pepper, seeds removed, quartered  
8 large tomatoes, preferably on the vine  
80g/3oz chorizo, sliced  
400g tin cannellini beans, drained and rinsed  
4 garlic cloves, bashed  
2 sprigs fresh rosemary  
8 chicken thighs, skin-on, bone-in  
2 tbsp olive oil  
1 tsp sea salt flakes  
freshly ground black pepper

### Method

Preheat the oven to 200C/180C Fan/Gas 6.

1. Put the onions, peppers, tomatoes, chorizo, beans, garlic and rosemary in a very large roasting tin (you may choose to use two tins). Top with the chicken, then drizzle with the oil.
2. Scatter with the salt and a big pinch of pepper. Roast for 1 hour, or until the chicken is cooked through and the skin is golden brown. To check if the chicken is cooked, pierce the thickest part with a skewer; the juices should run clear. If there is any sign of pink, return the bake to the oven until the chicken is cooked.
3. Leave the chicken to rest for 10 minutes, then serve with the vegetables.

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# So, what Next for The Pinkers?

We had hoped that we would be writing, in this issue, about the re-opening of The Pinkuah Arms, but rumours of new pub landlords have proved inconclusive.

The Pinkers closed its doors at the beginning of May and they remain firmly closed. Following Becky's tenure it had been rumoured that a new landlord/lady were to take on the pub. What looked to be a sure fire bet did not materialise, as the prospective publicans pulled out.

One only has to look at the national media to confirm the demise of pubs throughout the country. Unless there is something unique or different as a selling point to a pub, selling beer is not going to sustain overheads or make running a pub worthwhile.

A village pub is more than a drinking hole for locals, it is a place of community where locals can meet each other, make friends, swap stories and barter help. If there is no focal point of this nature, village life and collegiate communities will wither on the vine.

If there are no prospective landlords/ladies willing to take on The Pinkers it will be Pentlow's deep loss. For make no mistake, without the support of a community for this establishment, that community will be the poorer.

*Kelvin Hastings-Smith*



Dear folk of Pentlow and surrounding areas,

This is a short, but sincere note of thanks from a grateful and proud father. Becky managed to run the Pinkuah Arms for the last year and endeavoured to provide a true village pub, open to all, both two legged and four..... Regrettably it was not financially viable and, with much sadness, she took the decision to move on. I am very aware of the support and friendship you all showed her for which I thank you.

Yours Mike Coleman

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Foxearth Old School

# FOXEARTH & DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

On Tuesday June 11th the rain dried up for 18 members and guests for a guided tour of The Bulmer Brick & Tile Company. Our host & guide Peter Minter, a keen local Historian, told of his memories of moving as a small child from London with his family in 1936. When his father took over the brickyard, it was one of many around Sudbury at the time, none of which now remain.

The clay seam at Bulmer was formed some 40 million years ago from river estuary deposits known as the London beds. The clay is very clean with excellent brick making qualities and Bulmer has plenty for the next 50 years production at least.

Discoveries have been found on the site as evidence of early man, including a flint hand axe. A bronze age urn, Roman pots and early bricks that show use of clay on the site for many years. Records show brick making at Bulmer has been continuous since the mid 1450s, with a Medieval tile kiln found during ploughing in 1958. Early maps show 'Hurrells Hole Farm' brick making activity close to a pond, being the probable site of the first clay pit. Peter can trace the Hurrell family to 1595, selling on to the English family who were owners in 1795. In 1923 it was purchased by a local brick maker who wound down the brick making before selling the brickworks with the farm to Peter's father in 1936. The house had no modern facilities so complete renovation was required. Peter told us many stories of the process.



As a child, Peter's father took him on site visits to the airfields and wartime bomb sites to see what brickwork was required when renovations were needed. He still visits sites to problem solve where renovation is requested to match the original brickwork.



Peter learnt the skills of brick making from older staff who were too old to be needed for war work. He showed us the handmade process using traditional methods, that have changed little over the years, and the clay seam where clay for each year was dug during the winter months when farming was quiet and clay bricks and pots would not dry properly. The clay is now processed using diggers and a 'pug mill' purchased in the 1890s. Peter has also more recently purchased equipment from Stoke-on-Trent potteries for processing the clay to produce extra fine bricks for carving. Additional covered drying sheds have now been supplemented with heated sheds to speed the process and keep production going in wet weather.

*Foxearth & Dist Hist Soc continued ...*

There were 3 'up draught' rectangular open topped kilns on the site, which were inefficient of fuel and difficult to control especially in wet weather.

His father invested in a new kiln with a 'down draught' design largely complete by the beginning of the second world war; really useful for the making of land drain pipes for many local airfields between 1941 and 1944. These kept the brickyard in operation as other brick orders dried up. The kiln has been refurbished and a further kiln built when further capacity was required.

Great skill is required for the slow firing process; loading the kiln takes approx 3 days; the firing another 3 days to gradually build up the heat by stoking the 7 coal fires each hour with judgement to decide when the correct temperature is reached; a further 3 days for cooling & unloading.

The brickyard is busy now making handmade bricks, tiles etc for renovation work. Peter has developed his range of work undertaken. Moulds are made individually for each customer to match old samples he is given. The work includes flooring and roof tiles, decorative work including twisted and shaped chimney bricks.

Recent renovation projects undertaken include those for the National Trust, English Heritage and Historic Royal Palaces. Also, many local or small private works and listed buildings. As much of the original material is used. Peter has found additional clay sources now for white and pink bricks, to extend his range of projects, with licences to extract clay for over 20 years at present.

Peter gave many examples of his work which goes all over the UK & other countries. Projects undertaken include Bury St Edmunds and St Pancras railway stations, the spire of Halstead church, flooring in Westminster, window tracery on the Carmelite Friary in Norfolk. A recent notable project was to help the architect with the rebuild of Mattingleys, on the Sudbury Market hill which burnt down in 2015. Bulmer had

provided the original bricks and Peter was able to advise the architect and make appropriate bricks for the new façade.

Several of Peter's family now work in the business, the most recent recruit being his grandson, who has a talent for carving for the decorative mould making. A total of 25 staff are kept busy to keep up with the orders coming in.

Peter was warmly thanked for the most memorable and informative evening he had given. He has now written a book called the Brickmaker's Tale which records the in depth a

history, memories, people, and changing methods of the family brickmaking at



# NEW YEAR RESOLUTION

I did it!

I completed the Orwell 25 mile walk on Sunday 23rd June. I was walking in aid of the charity Friends of the Ferns. By close of the day the 'Friends' team had raised £2,300 in sponsorship. Through the generosity of friends and readers of Parish News I personally raised £785 towards this total.

Readers will recall, that I have been training for the last 6 months, gradually building up my stamina to walk such a distance, and to stay on my feet for 6 hours at a stretch. By the beginning of June I was walking in excess of 20 miles a session once a week with the odd 25 miler lobbed in for good measure. 25 miles is tiring but the reaction I had was one of hunger!

My bum bag was usually stuffed full of murray mints, energy bars and a danish pastry (well, Julie tracked me down with this!) - together with emergency money, in case I had to rush into a shop to pick up something to eat!

On those days when the sun shone, the countryside has never looked more beautiful. The crops were beginning to ripen and the gentle breezes parted the wheat and barley in the same way a river might swirl close to a sluice gate. The green field views were never more lovely than against the backdrop of a blue sky. Birds chirruped and swallows swooped low across telegraph lines, hares played in the long grass and pheasant lazily pecked the outer rims of the crops. Peeps were happy to smile and say 'hello' - remember how in the early days no one acknowledged a 'good morning'? There is so much to see on a long walk.

So, as I put my walking shoes away - for a little while at least - I would like to say a big 'thank you' to you dear reader and all my supporters who have encouraged me and had faith to sponsor me for this very worthwhile charity.

When I arrived at the Gainsborough Sports Centre in Ipswich for the start of the walk, I was struck by the enormity of the task facing me. Not only did I have to walk 25 miles, but I also had to navigate other walkers - and there were hundreds of them!

My team and I set off just after 8am and it very soon became apparent that my pace was much faster than the team, and they graciously permitted me to walk



on, at a pace that fitted my stride. The walk took a meandering route north of the sports centre and under the Orwell Bridge before dropping down into the Orwell Country Park and along the shore line (which meant walking on the beach) in thick mud and seaweed. After the beach, I had to negotiate the long strung out queues of walkers on the narrow footpaths who, it must be said, crawled along at a snail's pace. But, everyone was most obliging, letting me pass, even if that meant a walker had to back into stinging nettles!

I then entered the Trimley Nature Reserve, adjacent to the container port at Felixstowe. This was a little tedious as there was not a lot to see - the birds seemed to be hiding. Once that long stretch had been left behind, the route took me through some really lovely dingy-dell woodland, across farmland and through farms.

Purple flowers were plentiful from the potatoes growing in abundance in the fields.

I was surprised to find myself walking through the Levington Research Station. What a place! The crops appear to be very well advanced and I could not believe the size of the brussel sprouts and onions in the fields! Then, it was across the A14 (via footbridge) and a dash to the finish line back at the sports centre.

I managed a time of 5 hours 49 minutes which (according to a pace conversion chart) is about 11.22 minutes per mile. I now have a medal and a certificate to prove I have done it!

Donations can still be made for a short while to the Total Giving website if your friends, neighbours wish to donate (no fees deducted!) at <https://www.totalgiving.co.uk/mypage/Orwellwalk2019>.

Alternatively cheques accepted in favour of 'Friends of the Ferns'.

Thank you all for your support.

***Kelvin Hastings-Smith***



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# FILM REVIEW BY ISOBEL CLARK

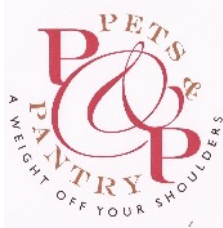
## Van Gogh and Japan

Exhibition on Screen 4 June 2019

This is a documentary film of the exhibition in Amsterdam *Van Gogh and Japan* which traces the love affair between the artist Van Gogh and the fashion for 'Japanism' which overtook Western Europe in the nineteenth century. He himself never went to Japan, but he was influenced by the styles and the exoticism of the Japanese prints that flooded the art market of the time. Indeed, he was so enamoured of the bright, flat Japanese colours that he moved to the south of France in search of light. I was disappointed that the documentary accepted the old myths of his madness and suicide as given: these are both challenged these days.

The film was rather long and a bit laboured in making its point and it was a one-off event made to be beamed around the world into cinemas. It is not on general release but is one in a series entitled *Exhibition on Screen*. It is, on the other hand, a very good way of seeing exhibitions without queuing, tickets or crowds; a chance to see paintings one might otherwise never see. The whole project is exciting, like the access to theatre and music from the Met, London or Stratford, the chance to see top quality work without the prices and bother of travel. Each broadcast is on a specific day, but can also be repeated, as an Encore performance. Being taken inside the theatre or opera house to see the performance as it happens, as part of the audience, is a wonderful gift, for the price of a local cinema and a short journey.

I tend to go the Arts Centre in Haverhill, and all their performances are listed in their cinema leaflets. I would highly recommend them.



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# B I G BORLEY



There were quite a few Dads in evidence at the Big Borley BBQ on 16th June which also happened to be Father's Day.

As organisers woke that morning it was overcast and blowy. Clouds loomed over the village hall and threatened to spill rain as volunteers set out tents, tables and games. Just as the last tent peg was driven into the ground, the heavens DID open. Thankfully, the rain was short lived and, by grand opening time, the sun had come out.



*Mr & Mrs T - The Chefs*

The Turner BBQ again proved popular, and Mike and Trish were kept busy flipping burgers and hot dogs. In the Hall strawberry and cream meringues were on offer. Drinks were strategically placed to entice the thirsty reveller.

The youngsters, and their dads, quickly eyed up the games around the playing field and tried their hand



*A Close Thing for Dylan  
Bowling for a Pig*

at attempting the highest scores

for bowling for a pig, clock golf, pitch and chip, quoits and the coconut shy. Prizes were awarded at the end of the afternoon .. and of course, everyone was a winner!

Before the much anticipated Wellie Wanging the youngsters took part in a three-legged egg and spoon obstacle



*Battling it out on the obstacle course*



*Wellie wanging competitor*

Tom out-paced George and Jack.

The Village Hall Committee were able to add a further £300 to its kitty and everyone agreed that the afternoon had been a fun time, of merriment and fellowship.

*Kelvin Hastings-Smith*

“**My Dear I Wanted to Tell You**’ is an illuminating literary novel by Louisa Young, set against the background of war and the lives that it changed, and how those lives changed. It is a tremendous tour de force which is largely historically accurate and based on some real people and situations. Of course, the battles are accurate but I bet there have been very few novels which convey the awfulness of trench life as well as Ms Young has.

The novel follows the lives of Nadine, a young wannabe artist who comes from an upper middle class background, the daughter of a famous conductor. Ryan is, likewise, a wannabe artist but from working class stock, who has been nurtured by a famous painter; although Ryan’s job is to clean the brushes and generally keep the studio tidy. In return, his mentor enrolls him in a grammar school. Nadine attended classes with the mentor and comes into contact with Ryan. They are of the same age. Her family disapproves of Ryan. Ryan is an innocent.

Ryan ends up signing up for service as a Private on the outbreak of war. He is later promoted - I will leave you to discover if the promotion was on merit or necessity by attrition. During his time in the trenches, he comes under the command of Peter Locke and a new friendship develops.

What is fascinating about this novel, is the detail Ms Young has put into the care injured servicemen received, particularly at a hospital in Sidcup. The description of reconstruction surgery is very moving and the reader realises how brutal and barbaric the treatment. Brilliantly done.

This novel stands in the same league as Pat Barker’s ‘Regeneration’ series and Faulks’ ‘Birdsong’; it has filled a gap - if any existed - in building learning of the forgotten areas of war, the mundane life for those left at ‘home’ far away from the ‘Front’.

This is great writing and no wonder it was shortlisted for the 2011 Costa Novel Award. There is a sequel ‘The Heroes Welcome’, which I have not read and will put on my reading list.

**Secret Barrister - Anon** Wow! What a great read. If the National Health Service is on life support then the Judicial system is receiving the last rites.

Anon has been a blogger and twitter contributor for a long time. People have attempted to find out who Anon is and failed and we do not know if Anon is male or female. What is known is that Anon is a practising barrister in the criminal courts and tells it as it is.

*A Good Read continued ...*

Secret Barrister takes the reader inside the justice system revealing, through personal anecdotes, the state of our courts, legal aid, judges, funding, appeals, prosecutors, defenders and more, in a careful analysis of the wherewithal of the failings of the legal system of England and Wales.

Anon is able to give clear examples by way of case summaries to underline the point she/he is making. For example, a defendant wrongly charged and found innocent of a crime who is not entitled to any redress before the courts; the failing of the legal aid budgets which deprive a defendant of the funding for a defence if he/she has a combined income of more than £37,500. Perhaps this figure sounds reasonable if a defendant **is** guilty but is it fair for a defendant who is not and is found not guilty? These are just but two of the issues Anon deals with but there is an attempt to dispel the headline notions that barristers practising criminal law are somehow fat cats earning 7 figure sums. Whereas, in fact, pay for a junior barrister can be as much, or as little, as £5 per hour.

The theme throughout the book is the dreadful realisation that the criminal justice system in England and Wales is broken. If the NHS is considered by some to be on life support, the future of the justice system is uncertain as the life support switch is flipped. Successive cuts in funding have led to failed prosecutions, delayed and incompetent preparation for trial, lengthier trials, mismanagement of the administration of justice, the inability of defendants to obtain competent representation and more.

This is an informative, frightening, interesting and revealing read. An eye-opener and an education about how the justice system works - or not.

Compelling reading which dispels tabloid sensational headlines.



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- Large and Small Jobs

What a difference a bit of rain makes when you need it.

It has been a pretty dry spring which has had us sweating as to whether we would get enough moisture to push the crops on at the critical stage, to stand them in good stead for the 2019 harvest.

Thankfully, after a perfect 3 or 4 days of a good steady rain, I believe we had it at such a critical moment, it may have saved a vast majority of the crops being a disaster from a yield and quality perspective.

The barleys have had all their spray programs now, as have the wheats, which had their final fungicide a few days ago to protect the ear up to harvest. The rape was sprayed with a product to seal, the pods which, in theory, prevent them from shattering as they ripen, so we can hopefully cut our seed losses before it is harvested. This will be followed, in the next couple of weeks, with a spray to desiccate.

So, it is mostly now making sure we are prepared for harvest, which I suspect will take us into the middle of July the way things are looking.

That will mean making sure the combine is ready to go along with the tractors and grain trailers, and a thorough clean up in the grain store.

As I write this on the deadline to print, we are waiting for a band of poorer weather and rain to come through before we cut our grass and legume fallows to make hay and haylage for the coming winter to feed the sheep and horses.

On the sheep front, we have weaned the lambs off the ewes in the last 3 weeks. After we had the ewes shorn, the fleeces were rolled and bagged into the woolsacks which we deliver to a farm near Bury St Edmunds, this being the local collection point. If we are lucky we may get between 50 and 80 pence per kilo.

There has been plenty of good grass, and the lambs have been growing well. It will not be long now before we begin the process of selecting and grading the lambs for sale. Some will be sold to our box customers which have built up to a reasonable base over the recent years. Anyone interested in locally produced lamb can get in touch 07889683165.

Local butcher, Ruse at Long Melford, butcher and box our lambs for our



*The Blue Texel cross butchers lambs*

customers and will hopefully buy some to put through the shop. What an accolade to have your homebred lamb sold in a local butchers less than 5 miles from the farm.

I understand that this edition is for July and August so I bid you all a great summer and will let you know how harvest has gone in the September edition

*Simon*

## THE NORTH HINCKFORD TEAM

Monthly Services  
of Healing Prayer at 7:30pm

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at Belchamp Otten

Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> August at Pentlow

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3<sup>rd</sup> July: **Edinburgh Comedy Warm-Up**

5<sup>th</sup> July: **Live Wrestling!**

9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> July: **Jeeves & Wooster in**

**Perfect Nonsense** (SDS Comedy Drama)

18<sup>th</sup> July: **Edinburgh Comedy Warm-up**

20<sup>th</sup> July: **Johnny Cash Tribute**

23<sup>rd</sup> July: **FILM: Fisherman's Friends**

25<sup>th</sup> July: **The Lehman Trilogy**

26<sup>th</sup> July: **Women in Rock** (Live Music)

27<sup>th</sup> July: **Tony Slattery**

31<sup>st</sup> July: **Measure for Measure**

Royal Shakespeare Company Live Broadcast

4<sup>th</sup> August: **Griff Rhys Jones SOLD OUT**

20<sup>th</sup> August: **FILM: Green Book**

23<sup>rd</sup> August: - **The Jam'd** (Jam tribute)

24<sup>th</sup> August: **Menotti's The Telephone**

(Live opera)

27<sup>th</sup> August: **FILM: The Aftermath**

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT A GLANCE

### JULY

Mon 1	7.30pm	Cavendish Horticultural Society – Companion Planting
Tues 2	7.30pm	Monthly Service of Healing Prayer at Belchamp Otten
Thurs 4	10am-3pm	Quiet Day in an English Country Garden in Alphamstone
Fri 5	10am-12 noon	Foxeath Meadow Working Party
Fri 5	7.30-9.30pm	Foxearth Games Night
Sat 6	11am-4pm	Marvellous Meadows – a free family event for National Meadows Day
Tues 9	7pm	Recording Headstones & Memorials at Sudbury Cemetery F&DHS
Wed 10		Mobile Library Pentlow 2.10-2.40pm & Foxearth 2.50-3.20pm
Fri 12	8pm	Bat Walk with Sarah White of Essex Bat Group
Fri 12	10am-12 noon	Foxearth Meadow Working Party
Mon 15	10am-12 noon	Crafty Wo(men) at Spencers Farm Shop Cafe, Wickham St Paul
Thurs 18	3pm	Garden Party in aid of St Johns Methodist Church, Sudbury
Fri 19	10am-12 noon	Foxeath Meadow Working Party
Mon 22	10am-12 noon	Crafty Wo(men) at Spencers Farm Shop Cafe, Wickham St Paul
Fri 26	10am-12 noon	Foxeath Meadow Working Party
Sat 27	7.30pm	Trinity Singers Concert at Long Melford URC
Wed 31		Mobile Library Pentlow 2.10-2.40pm & Foxearth 2.50-3.20pm

### AUGUST

2, 9, 16, 23 & 30		Foxearth Meadows Work Parties
Fri 2	7.30-9.30pm	Foxearth Games Night
Sat 3		Order deadline for Oil Buying Group
Sun 4	10.30am	Foxearth Songs of Praise
Sun 4	2pm	Annual Riders Service at Twinstead Riding School
Mon 5	7.30pm	Caring for Soft Fruit – Cavendish Horticultural Society
Tues 6	7.30pm	Monthly Service of Healing Prayer at Pentlow
Mon 12	9.30am	Visit to Stow Maries Great War Aerodrome F&DHS
Mon 19	10am-12noon	Crafty Wo(men) at Spencers Farm Shop Cafe, Wickham St Paul
Tues 20	3-5pm	Afternoon Tea at Foxearth Village Hall
Wed 31		Mobile Library Pentlow 2.10-2.40pm & Foxearth 2.50-3.20pm
Sat 31	1.30-5.30pm	Cavendish Horticultural Society – Annual Show

### SEPTEMBER

Sat 14	7.30pm	Foxearth Village Quiz with Hot Supper
Sun 15	3pm	Foxearth Meadows Open Air Service

JULY/AUG	WEST PARISHES			NORTH PARISHES					
Sunday	B Otten	B St Paul	B Walter	Ovington	Bulmer	Foxearth	Liston	Borley	Pentlow
2 <sup>nd</sup> July				Team Healing Service at Belchamp Otten – MHK 7.30pm					
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July		10am Midweek Mass MHK							
7 <sup>th</sup> July	8.45am Communion PG	See Ovington		9.45am Communion GM	10.30am Family Service	10.30am Start the Month! Churchwardens	6pm Compline QP		11.15am Communion GM
3 <sup>rd</sup> Trinity Green									
14 <sup>th</sup> July	10am Communion PG	10am Communion PG	3pm Pet blessing GM		11.15am Communion GM	10.30am Family Service Churchwardens & Honral Gault	10am Communion PS		11.15am Communion PS
4 <sup>th</sup> Trinity Green									
21 <sup>st</sup> July				10.00.00 Belchamps combined service at Belchamp St Paul MHK					
5 <sup>th</sup> Trinity Green									
21 <sup>st</sup> July		11.15am Communion PG							
5 <sup>th</sup> Trinity Green									
28 <sup>th</sup> July	8.45am Communion (BCP) GM	10am Communion GM							10.30am Combined Service at Bulmer MHK
6 <sup>th</sup> Trinity Green									
4 <sup>th</sup> August	8.45am Communion PG	See Ovington		9.45am Communion GM	10.30am Family Service	10.30am Start the Month! Churchwardens	6pm Eucharist MHK		11.15am Communion GM
7 <sup>th</sup> Trinity Green									
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> August				7.30pm Team Healing Service at Pentlow – MHK					
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> August		10am Midweek Mass MHK							
11 <sup>th</sup> August	10am Songs of Praise	10am Matsins	9.45am Communion	11.15am Communion GM	10.30am Family Service Churchwardens & Floral Gault	11.15am Family Service MG			11.15am Communion PG
8 <sup>th</sup> Trinity Green									
18 <sup>th</sup> August				10.00.00 Belchamps combined service at Belchamp St Paul MHK					
9 <sup>th</sup> Trinity Green									
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24 <sup>th</sup> August	8.45am Communion (BCP) PG	10am Communion GM							10.30am Combined Service at Pentlow MHK
10 <sup>th</sup> Trinity Green									

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# NORTH HINCKFORD ALTAR FRONTAL

The Altar Frontal was made by ladies in the Benefice in 2011. All our churches are depicted on the cloth. It is available for any church to borrow provided it has been agreed by one of our Clergy.

At present I am the "Keeper of the Altar Cloth" and will be pleased to hand it over should any church wish to use it. My address is "Weston" Pinkuah Lane, Pentlow Ridge PENTLOW CO10 7JW.  
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*Susan Fenner*