



The Benefice of Acle and Bure to Yare

Acle : Beighton with Moulton : Freethorpe : Halvergate with  
Tunstall: Limpenhoe, Southwood and Cantley : Reedham :  
Wickhamton

JUNE  
2026  
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Southwood Churchyard in April

*Photo - Kati Cowen*

OUTLOOK

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Martin, our Rector, has started his Sabbatical. It is about 10 years since the southern parishes were without a resident priest, even longer for Acle and Beighton. It feels very strange. It has taken quite a lot of organising to cover all his roles, and it makes us realise just how much he did. We are very grateful to our visiting Ministers covering our some of our Services; but much of the day to day running of the local Church falls on Wardens, PCC members and of course Nicholas, as our Lay Minister (he is the initial contact for funerals). As I write, we have just celebrated the Feast of the Ascension, when the disciples lost the physical presence of Jesus. They must have felt even more discombobulated. Even with the gift of the Holy Spirit, celebrated on Whit Sunday, it must have taken quite a bit of getting used to.

The first Sunday in June is Trinity Sunday – this marks the beginning of a new Season in the Church’s year. As the ‘Church Year’ begins at the end of November, or beginning of December, this means all the major Church Festivals fall in the first half – Advent Sunday, Christmas, Easter etc. Sundays after Trinity can seem a bit of a grind. In the first half of the year, the emphasis has been on recalling the major events of Jesus’ life. The second half concentrates much more on his teaching, on the Kingdom he spoke such a lot about; we lose the significance of the first half if we ignore the second.

‘If ye love me, keep my commandments,’ Jesus tells his disciples just before his Crucifixion. It’s so easy to think we are following Jesus if we only have a vague idea of what he actually taught; and what he taught is actually very demanding. However hard we try, we cannot meet the standards he asks of us; but there is mercy and forgiveness for our failures.

Those who see Jesus just as a good bloke, a major prophet, have to cut out most of what the Gospels actually say about his teaching; they have to cherry pick the bits they want to follow, and ignore the rest as ‘just post-Jesus propaganda’. They have to omit the fact that much of what he is recorded as saying is concerned with his unique relationship with God, with his pre-eminent authority.

After Jesus’ Ascension and the Day of Pentecost, his disciples had to start working out just what his teachings meant in practice; and a major part of this was sharing those teachings with others. While Martin has a well-deserved period of rest, reflection and spiritual renewal, let’s all make an effort to share in the essential work of the Church – spreading the word, teaching and learning, and joining together in worship.

In the love of Christ Jesus,

*Kati (who suddenly found that one of the things we hadn’t organised was who was to write this letter!)*

## Parish Registers

### Funerals

We commit to God's keeping:-

Sybil (Rowena) Williams, aged 100, on 22<sup>nd</sup> April at St Edmund's, Acle

Shirley Irene Cator, aged 84, on 23<sup>rd</sup> April at St Edmunds', Acle

### Holy Matrimony

Emily Jane Cory to Keegan Sirius Ferreira on 24<sup>th</sup> April at St John the Baptist's, Reedham

### Parish Notes

The Ecumenical Service in the Games Room at Swallowtail Place, Acle, will be at 10.30am on Tuesday 23rd June.

Please note that there will not be a Holy Communion Service at Reedham on 5<sup>th</sup> July – we were not able to find a Priest to take it.

### Cancellation of June's Matins at Halvergate

There will not be a service of Matins on Sunday June 28th at Halvergate.

Pam Butcher Secretary

### Music for the soul



St. Edmunds church was privileged to host the celebrated pianist Chris Green-Armytage. Chris titled his recital 'From Bach to Bartok'. With Bach's Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring at the beginning, we knew it was to be a feast for the ears.

*Left: A quick practice*

Then, with Schumann's Papillons fresh in our ears, we heard Sonata in A Major by Schubert. Then it was time for

refreshments and a chat with the maestro.

Resuming with Suite Op14 by Bartok, Chris finished with Chopin as his last three pieces, in honour of our wonderful Pleyel piano; Pleyel was Chopin's instrument of choice. After resounding applause, he treated us to an encore - a piece he had composed himself.

One lady said, "What a privilege and a wonderful way to spend a Sunday afternoon." Listening to live classical music was a joyful experience for us all. To hear Chris go to his website <https://chrisgreenarmytage.com/>

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## **VETERANS CENTRAL EVENTS, RAF WEST RAYNHAM SHQ NR21 7PL. 7.**

The Veterans Central charity is holding a number of events over the summer months at their RAF West Raynham SHQ facility. The events attract people from across Norfolk and are also designed to help Veterans Central find more veterans that might benefit from the support provided by Veterans Central.

All Events are FREE to attend. The Veterans Central café is open on all events.

**Sunday June 21st : World War Two History Day.**

Visit the Military vehicles, re-enactors and displays and learn about the role they played in the World War Two. Sit in some of the presentations – from the development of airfields in Norfolk, the Royal Norfolk Regiment in the war, ‘Over Here’ – the American presence in East Anglia, and more. Watch or take part on one of the World War Two wargame scenarios. Browse the various historical displays and photo albums. Get a fantastic book bargain in one of our bookshops.

This event is from 10 to 3.

**Sunday July 19th : Annual Open Day.**

Our biggest event of the year with a wide range of military and other displays, aircraft cockpits and vehicles, classic cars, craft stalls, children’s activity zone, games and activities – including axe throwing and archery. A massive tombola and book sale. BBQ and Hog Roast. Live music. And more.

This event is from 10 to 3.

For more information, email [events@veteranscentral.co.uk](mailto:events@veteranscentral.co.uk).

If you would like to participate in one or more event, email [ops@veteranscentral.co.uk](mailto:ops@veteranscentral.co.uk).

### **Reedham Church Repair Work**

Work will start to repair Reedham Church’s ceiling on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June and the work may last for 2 weeks. During this period, the church building will have to be closed – but as the Holy Communion on the first Sunday of July (5<sup>th</sup>) is already cancelled, we are hoping no Church Services will be affected.

### **Beighton Flower Festival – see back cover.**

After an incredible 9 year gap (!), we are pleased to be holding a flower festival at Beighton Church on 27-28 June. If anyone would like to take part, all contributions of arrangements would be most welcome. Contact Kate Ashcroft on 07947 726821.

### **Cantley & District W.I.**

Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday June 17th at 7.30pm in Cantley Village Hall. Our speaker for the evening will be Stephen Heard when he will be enlightening us as to How the NHS works

New members always very welcome.

## Changes to train services

8.

From May 17th, Greater Anglia commence their summer timetable. This includes an increased weekday service between Reedham, Norwich and Lowestoft. Trains will run hourly throughout the day instead of 2 hourly between 10.00 and 16.00. There will also be a few direct services from Reedham to Stanstead Airport.

For full information on the new timetable, please go to:

[Greateranglia.co.uk](http://Greateranglia.co.uk) or full timetables are displayed at Reedham station

Mike Warner

## Defibrillator at Reedham Station:

Heart2Heart (Norfolk Charity) have installed a public access defibrillator on the platform at Reedham station. Heart2Heart (Norfolk), a non-profitable charity, was set up by Jayne Biggs in 2016 to raise money for public access defibrillators across Norfolk and Suffolk after her daughter had been treated for a cardiac arrest and she realised there was a shortage of defibrillators in the region. To date Jayne has installed over 400 defibrillators through the charity and has also given many people CPR and defib training through her free community sessions. See Facebook page for photos -

https:[www.facebook.com/DefibrillatorsfortheLocalCommunity/?locale=en](https://www.facebook.com/DefibrillatorsfortheLocalCommunity/?locale=en) GB

Wendy Gitsham

## Reedham Ringers

The ringers were thrilled to ring for Emily and Keegan's recent wedding. Emily joined in with us after the ceremony which was quite a feat given her lovely dress and veil. A ringing bride is always a delight for any band!



We celebrated Bell Sunday a little early at Reedham this year. Traditionally, it is marked on the nearest Sunday to the Feast of St Dunstan (May 19th) but we enjoyed an earlier celebration before Martin went on sabbatical. St Dunstan is the patron saint of metal workers, jewellers and bell ringers and legend has it that, tempted by Satan whilst working at his forge, he seized the devil by the nose with his red-hot tongs.

Other bells in the benefice enjoyed a work out in May with Halvergate tower rung by a visiting band on 3<sup>rd</sup> May and Acle tower hosting our usual Monday afternoon practice the following week.

We welcome visiting ringers and are always on the look-out for new volunteers. Bell ringers are a dwindling breed and if you have ever thought that ringing church bells might be fun, come and pay us a visit on a Monday afternoon between 4-5.30pm to see what we do.

Mary Jones

[mpcjones@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mpcjones@hotmail.co.uk)

## **Reedham Churchyard Morning**

9.

Thank you to those who turned up to help with Reedham churchyard in May. Our next meeting will be Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 10am. Please come and help for an hour or two if you want to preserve this very special environment. Hand tools and gloves are useful , but don't worry if you do not have such things, we can lend you something.

Mary Jones

## **OVER FIFTIES CLUB AND LOTTERY**

We have had another good month and our new members from Joseph House are enjoying their afternoons with us - four members, Richard, Ricky, Elizabeth & Mandy joined us last month. We had our April birthday buffet and our special birthday for April was Dave Chaplin who was 70. Dave and his wife Elizabeth are two new members this year.

The nights are certainly pulling out now, the time is flying by.

May 19<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate any member who has a May birthday with our usual birthday buffet. We have two members unable to attend due to ill health now so if you want to join us, we have two memberships available. If you have been thinking of joining us then come along on any Tuesday at 1.30pm. Membership is £7.00 yearly and £3.00 weekly subscriptions.

## **LOTTERY NEWS**

Mick Ryan won our lottery, the jackpot was £323.40. Mick very kindly gave our club a donation. Thank you, Mick, it is very much appreciated.

If you would like to join our lottery give me a ring - it is £1.00 per week and is open to non-members as well.

Until next month take care of yourselves.

Angie Woolsey  
Sec/Treasurer  
MOB: 07585504199

## **Ladies' Christian Link – see back cover**

Members of the group visited the cathedral for a tour of the Broderers' Guild Workshop. We saw ladies working to restore various ecclesiastical items and what was involved in the process. We were shown a beautiful embroidered alter cloth which they are going to restore. It was found in a vestry of a church in London. It is known that it was made in the late 1890's and not used since the 1930's. They hold monthly tours which you can book if anyone is interested.

Our next meeting will be at my house on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June when Kate Ashcroft will be our speaker.

All Ladies are welcome to join us

Lynda Boyle

# JUNE CALENDAR

10.

Reedham Charity: The Fishermen's Mission

## Weekly

Tuesdays 9.30am Ecumenical Morning Prayer – Acle Methodist Church (except 23rd)

1.30pm Reedham Over Fifties Club – Reedham Village Hall

Saturdays 5.00pm Roman Catholic Mass – Acle Church

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> 7.30pm Reedham Belles – Reedham Village Hall

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> 7.15pm Acle & District Royal British Legion – Bure Room.

7.30pm Wednesday Night Out – Freethorpe Village Hall

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> 9am – Noon Village Market – Acle Church Hall

10am – 1pm Table Top Sale – Freethorpe Methodist Chapel

10am – 4pm Suzie's Garden Café – 'Westdene', Wickhampton

## SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> after Trinity

9.30am Morning Prayer - Halvergate

11.00am Morning Worship - Acle

11.00am Holy Communion – Reedham

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Acle Evening W.I. – Acle Parish Hall

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm 'In the Heart of Broadland' – Wickhampton Church

## SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> after Trinity

10.30am Holy Communion - Beighton

11.00am Morning Worship – Freethorpe

*Note: No 8am Communion at Acle*

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> Mobile Library Day – Beighton, Limpenhoe and Cantley

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> OUTLOOK COPY DATE

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Ladies' Christian Link - 10 Old Chapel Road Freethorpe

7.30pm Cantley & District W.I. – Cantley Village Hall

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> 9am – Noon Breakfast Café – Limpenhoe Village Hall

## SUNDAY 21<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> after Trinity

9.30am Holy Communion – Halvergate

11.00am Holy Communion – Acle

11.00am Morning Prayer – Reedham

Monday 22<sup>th</sup> Mobile Library Day (website says 20<sup>th</sup> !!!)

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> 10.00am Reedham Churchyard Morning

10.30am Monthly Service at Swallowtail Place, Acle.

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> 5.00pm Holy Crust Pizza – Limpenhoe Church II.

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> 10am – 4pm Beighton Flower Festival with  
2pm – 4pm Strawberry Teas

### **SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> after Trinity**

8.00am Holy Communion – Acle  
10.30am Morning Prayer - Beighton  
11.00am Holy Communion – Freethorpe  
Note: No Matins at Halvergate

2.30pm – 5pm Afternoon Tea & Quiz – Acle Church Hall

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Work begins in Reedham Church.

Looking forward into July:-

### **SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> after Trinity**

9.30am Morning Prayer - Halvergate  
11.00am Morning Worship - Acle  
Note: No Service at Reedham

### **Blofield Deanery**

The Blofield Deanery – a combination of the benefices of Blofield & Broadside, Yare Valley, Acle, Lingwood, Great & Little Plumstead (Bittern) - meets three times a year and is fortunate to hear speakers on a multitude of subjects affecting the Church. Your Church elects representatives to attend the meetings, providing the opportunity of advice and feedback to your community.

The next meeting of the Deanery is on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July and is being held at St Lawrence's Centre, The Street, South Walsham, NR13 6DQ. starting at 7pm. The topic on this occasion is "Eco Workshop" which, somewhat obviously, is concerned with the ecological care of God's earthly creation. It will be a useful event for people who are either currently active in pursuing the Church's mission for protection and enhancement of the environment, or people who are interested in taking up an appropriate role within your church.

Rev. Sue Shillam, who is organising the session, has therefore asked me to **INVITE** people who are already involved and others who are interested in taking up work on this topic to attend the meeting. Refreshments will be available, together with the opportunity to meet others with a similar interest.

It would be useful to know names and numbers of attendees, both for catering and preparation of a name badge and convenient if either warden, parish secretary or individuals themselves drop me a note of those interested, to the email address below or direct to Rev. Sue at: [sue.shillam@btinternet.com](mailto:sue.shillam@btinternet.com)  
My email: [deanery.blofield@dioceseofnorwich.org](mailto:deanery.blofield@dioceseofnorwich.org)

Roy Allgood

Thank you to those who supported our quiz in May. We only had a few teams enter but the event raised £114 for branch funds.

Our next branch meeting will take place on Wednesday 3 June in the Bure Room, Acle Recreation Centre starting at 7.15pm. We will be joined by Kath Hutton, the Armed Forces Support Officer based at the James Paget Hospital who will update us on initiatives and help available to ex service personnel. Tea, coffee and biscuits available as usual with Social Club bar open for other refreshments if preferred.

On Wednesday 1st July we have a talk from Jayne who operates the charity Heart to Heart Norfolk installing & maintaining defibrillators. This will include CPR and defibrillator training. Please consider coming along. This really could help save a life

We are delighted that our membership continues to grow. If anyone would like information about our meetings or are considering joining the Royal British Legion please contact Jayne Smith for further details on 07584 825749 or [jaynesmith15@btinternet.com](mailto:jaynesmith15@btinternet.com)

### **Reedham Belles (Reedham and District WI)**

We enjoyed an interesting talk at our May meeting from Cheryl Cade, who gave us many new ideas on how best to serve and enjoy cheese, along with some very amusing anecdotes about her time as a cheese sommelier. We were out and about as usual during the month, including visits to Lowestoft, How Hill, Bungay and Norwich, enjoying various activities.

In June we will be nurturing our plants in readiness for our popular plant and cake stall in July, taking a trip to Redwings Horse Sanctuary, enjoying brunch at Moulton Nurseries and even taking advantage of Norfolk Federation's "Tank Driving Experience Day"! Decibelles, our choir, will continue its fortnightly rehearsals, the book and film club will be busy as usual, and we hope to hold a craft afternoon if there is space in the diary. Our speaker at the June meeting on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June will be Saffron Sommerfield, whose talk is entitled "When Birds Sing". Do join us from 7pm for 7.30pm at Reedham Village Hall.

Marion Small [reedhamwi@gmail.com](mailto:reedhamwi@gmail.com)

### **Freethorpe Wednesday Night Out.**

The next meeting of Freethorpe W.N.O. will be held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2026 at 7.30 pm in Freethorpe Village Hall, when we will be having a talk by Norfolk Blood Bikes who will be telling us about the Charity and the work they do. Everyone is welcome to our friendly group. We will have our usual bring-and-buy stall and teas and coffee. Members are £2 and Visitors £3.

Email [paulandruthbacon@btinternet.com](mailto:paulandruthbacon@btinternet.com) with any enquiries.

Ruth Bacon

Meeting held on Monday 13th April 2026 in the Village Hall

There were 9 Councillors present, the Clerk, District Councillor Nurden and 6 members of the public.

The Clerk gave an update to the Council:

A letter of thanks was sent to Beth Spaul on behalf of the Council thanking her for everything she has done in her time as head of the school and wishing her every success in the future.

Notification has been received that CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) monies from the 2nd Phase Barn Owl development will be paid to the Parish Council in April.

D. Cllr Nurden advised that the Minister for Housing has given his minded-to decision regarding the future of a Unitary Authority in Norfolk. The decision is a three Unitary Authority being East, West and Central (Greater Norwich). It is likely that Reedham will be in the East, administered in Great Yarmouth.

A member of the public commented that the previous minutes did not convey the points raised at the last meeting regarding the possible Taylor Wimpey development. Cllr Hale advised that the legal requirements for minutes had been fulfilled. However, the comments made would be noted by the Clerk.

The Parish Council are holding a three-month trial of Parish Councillor surgeries. This will enable residents to raise issues, ask questions, and engage directly with councillors outside of formal meetings. They are not decision-making forums but provide an opportunity for early discussion, and identification of matters which may require formal consideration by the Council.

First trial session to take place on Wednesday 20th May at 7.30pm in the Village Hall Lounge. One councillor and the Clerk will be in attendance, the District Councillor will be invited to attend.

A letter has been received from Taylor Wimpey updating the council on their current position regarding the possibility of a housing development in Reedham. The full letter is available on the Parish Council website and the notice board by the doctors.

In March the speed sensor was located on Station Road, facing South, near the junction with Barn Owl Close, collecting data from traffic leaving the village. The speed limit here is 30mph. The 85th percentile was 29.4 mph; the average speed was 22.1 mph. The average vehicles per day was 402.

Cllr Hale made a statement to the council following his decision to stand down as Chair at the Annual meeting. He has been on the council for approximately 30 years and Chairman for 15 years and said how it had been an honour and privilege to sit on the council for so long, he also confirmed that he intends to stay on but not as Chairman.

The full statement can be found in April's minutes on the Reedham Parish Council website <https://reedhamparishcouncil.gov.uk/> . Cllr George thanked Cllr Hale for his statement and noted that the Council welcomed his continued contribution as a councillor.

### **Time and Date of Next Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council is Monday 11th May 2026 at 7.30pm, in the Village Hall lounge. Further details will be published on the website, Facebook page and notice board by the Doctors nearer the time. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

## **Acle Evening W.I.**

**14.**

Another busy month has flown by for the members of Acle Evening WI. Several members had a great day out attending the Norfolk Federation Annual Meeting at the Theatre Royal in Norwich. We organised our ACWW Women Walk the World walk around Acle, visiting the Jubilee Wood, followed by a sneaky scone and coffee at Swallowtail.

We have also hosted a very successful Spring Lunch in the Church Rooms, where members and friends from our surrounding communities came together to enjoy a delicious meal prepared by the committee. We raised just over £430 for our funds.

Our guest speaker, Louise from Fritton Owl Sanctuary, joined us for our May meeting along with Treacle, a rescued barn owl who resides at the sanctuary. Treacle seemed quite happy to sit through the talk perched on Louise's hand.

Our next outing this coming week will be a return visit to Priscilla Bacon Lodge for an afternoon tea.

In June, we will be celebrating our 48th anniversary, when members will be joined by invited guests from neighbouring WI's, our guest speaker is Susan Dawson from Great Yarmouth; her talk B&B to Bed and Bondage will no doubt be an interesting one!

Acle Evening WI meets on the second Thursday of the month at 7 for 7.30pm in the Church Rooms, Norwich Road, Acle.

New members are always welcome, please contact Frances Mobbs, President on 07780681865

## **WICKHAMPTON NEWS**

**SUZIE'S GARDEN CAFÉ FUNDRAISING DAY**  
**SUNDAY 6<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2026: 10am-4pm**  
**at "Westdene", Low Road, Wickhampton, NR13 3PA**

Please come along and enjoy a feast of various  
savoury treats and scrumptious cakes!

**All in aid of THE EAST ANGLIAN AIR AMBULANCE.**

We'll be having a Tombola stall too, full of wonderful prizes



**SATURDAY 13 JUNE 2026, 7.30pm AT WICKHAMPTON CHURCH**  
**"IN THE HEART OF BROADLAND" – A talk by Michael Pollitt**

With the benefit of 30 years' experience as Agricultural Editor of *The Eastern Daily Press*, Michael will reflect on the remarkable legacy of Norfolk-born global environmentalist ANDREW LEES, for both farming and wildlife in Andrew's home county, and further afield. Just outside the wall of Wickhampton church is a simple, square stone set into the ground, commemorating the life of Andrew Lees - saviour of the wetlands of Halvergate Marshes.

TICKETS: £7.50 (cash on the door please) to include light refreshments.

For more information: [wickhampton@gmail.com](mailto:wickhampton@gmail.com)



**Saturday 12 September is the big day.** It is the biggest fundraising event for Norfolk Churches Trust and, in case you missed it, the total raised last year was £115,527.99. The Trust also received an amazing legacy gift from a prior regular rider. The gift was designed to match what everyone else raised and brought the total to more than £230,000. **THANK YOU** to everyone!

As you know, a significant proportion of what is raised goes directly to the churches and chapels you nominate as participants. The rest of the proceeds help fund the grants to repair, survey and secure the fabric of our amazing but vulnerable historic churches.

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**Will you participate**

**this year by riding, walking, or driving?** And invite others! Please register online at <https://norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk/bike-ride-walk/bike-ride-registration-form/> Registrations really help The Trust to keep track. While you are on the website, if you are not already, please consider becoming a member of the Norfolk Churches Trust. Thank you!



# Table top Sale

## FREETHORPE METHODIST CHAPEL

on

**SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**

**10 a.m. to 1pm**

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**Refreshments will be available**

## Transport for an Organist

16.

This is a message from Edward, who practices the Organ at St Edmund's and is studying under the tutelage of Julian Hegget at St Peter Mancroft:-

*I'm Edward Bates. I've been living in Acle for the last 3 years, having previously lived all my life in Winterton. I work full-time for a local sight-loss charity. Two years ago I was fortunate to have the chance to start learning to play the church organ. This was something that I'd always wanted to do, but until then the opportunity hadn't arisen. I have fortnightly lessons in Norwich and I practise regularly at Acle Church, thanks to the support of Diane, the church warden and Reverend Greenland.*

*I'm currently working for the Grade 5 organ exam and I hope to be able to play the organ at churches around this area. I'm told that there is a shortage of organists, so I'm hoping this work might take off. The problem I have, however, is that I'm totally blind (and have been since birth). Whilst this doesn't stop me from learning the organ, it does make travelling complicated, especially to villages that aren't served by public transport. Usually my mother takes me to places, but long-term this isn't sustainable. If anyone has some spare time and would be willing to be a driver for me occasionally, I would be keen to hear from you. This wouldn't be a regular commitment; in fact, you may not even be called upon at all, but it would help me to have back-up in place, should it be required. Remuneration for petrol expenses would, of course, be paid. If you think you could help, I would be delighted to hear from you. My email address is: [edward.bates7@googlemail.com](mailto:edward.bates7@googlemail.com).*

It would be really good if we could get a group of people who would be able to help him get to practices at the different churches, as he would need to be familiar with the location and organ before he played for a service.

Edward uses Whatsapp so messages can be written but are best recorded as it is easier and quicker for him to reply if a message is sent. His phone number is 07890 748042. Edward works 9 to 5 Mon to Friday. If the volunteer does not use a mobile Edward could take a phone call in the evenings or weekends.

Diane Wynn-Fitzgerald and Edward Bates



**AFTERNOON TEA  
& QUIZ  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June  
2.30 to 5pm**

- ST. EDMUND'S CHURCH  
HALL, ACLE, NR13 3BU
- £10 BOOKING ESSENTIAL
- DIANE 07969 341943

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## CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS AT WICKHAMPTON PLAYGROUND

On Monday 20 April 2026, a group of six conservation volunteers from Norwich got stuck in at Wickhampton Playground planting a wildflower “meadow”. They cleared the turf from an area along the back fence of the playground and then planted a mixture of annual and perennial wildflowers and some wildflower bulbs. The turf was then carefully stacked in a corner of the playground to provide beetle hotels!

Our thanks to Andrew Moll of Freethorpe Parish Council for arranging this, and fingers crossed for a colourful display in the summer!

*The Friends of Wickhampton Village*

### CARE FOR CARERS

Carers Group Support Association

TOGETHER WE ARE STRONG



## “Carers Information Day”

Organised by Care for Carers

with

Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust

at

## The Norwich Forum

Millennium Plain, Norwich, NR2 1TF

**Monday, June 8th - 9.00am - 3.00pm**

Come along and meet people who will offer

Help, Information, and Advice for:

Carers, Young Carers, Ex-Carers,

Older People, the Lonely,

and anyone with a problem

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For more information call:

Care for Carers - 0300 777 8880

Or

Email: [info@careforcarers.org.uk](mailto:info@careforcarers.org.uk)

[www.careforcarers.org.uk](http://www.careforcarers.org.uk)

People requiring Norwich Door to Door community transport services, call 01603 776735, or email [bookings@norwichdoortodoor.org.uk](mailto:bookings@norwichdoortodoor.org.uk) to book transport in advance of the event

St. Botolph's Church  
Limpenhoe . NR13 3JB

## Holy Crust Pizza

Enjoy outside, in the pews or take away

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June**  
**From 5.00 p.m. until we run out!**



Following the success of our first two pizza nights we will be repeating the experience and hoping for the same fabulous weather! Come along and either eat outside, inside or take away.

Choose from the following toppings:

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|------------------------------------|--------|
| ❖Mozzarella, tomato & basil        | £8.00  |
| ❖Herby garlic mushroom             | £10.00 |
| ❖Sun-dried tomatoes & black olives | £10.00 |
| ❖Roasted vegetables                | £10.00 |
| ❖Pepperoni                         | £10.00 |
| ❖Spicy chorizo, red onion & chilli | £10.00 |

Each hand made pizza will be freshly cooked to order and served up in an eco friendly pizza box.

*Wine, beer and soft drinks will be available to buy*

*We have ample parking and outside seating*

*All profits go towards the renovation and improvement of St. Botolph's church*

# Breakfast cafe

## Limpenhoe Village Hall

20th June

18th July

15th August

Time: 9 to 12

### Bookings:

Pat Bennett 07980 326347  
 pbfalconhouse@hotmail.com  
 Bookings will be confirmed



Community Cafe in  
 support of the Village  
 Hall and Church

### Breakfast Café – see back cover.

We had a great time at May's Breakfast Café, and one couple came along by horse and trap! They had bacon rolls and mugs of tea and the horse ... sugar lumps, what else! The girl in the photo is Natalie and it was her birthday.



Left: Ladies' Christian Link members visiting the Broderers Guild at Norwich Cathedral.



Above: Why it is well worth supporting Reedham Churchyard Day!



Left: The Conservation Volunteers in Wickhampton Playground.

Below: 'From Bach to Bartok' - Chris Green-Armytage's piano recital at St Edmunds'.



Right: Reedham Belles at the Royal Norfolk & Suffolk Yacht Club.



Left: An unusual visitor to Limpenhoe Breakfast Club.  
Below: The Deanery Ascension Day Service at Ranworth.







**ALL SAINTS' CHURCH  
BEIGHTON**

**FLOWER FESTIVAL**

**27-28 JUNE**

**10:00 – 4:00**

**Strawberry Teas**

**SAT 27 JUNE**

**2:00 - 4:00**


