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EDITORIAL

We are sure everyone has been shaken by the terrible news from Ukraine. It is incomprehensible to understand the reasons for such an apparently blatant invasion. Perhaps we will never know the real reasons behind Putin's actions.

However, the wonderful response from ordinary people has been outstanding with lorry drivers and just chaps with a van, volunteering to take donations of clothes, medicines and necessary items to where they are most needed.

Our hearts go out to the children, sent off by their parents, and mothers with children saying goodbye to their fathers who have to stay behind to defend the cities, never knowing if and when they will be reunited.

If you are moved to donate, there are a number of fundraisers about, The Teapost, the concert in Brisley and a church service in Elmham, plus donation buckets in shops and supermarkets. We were

wondering if anyone in the village had signed up to the Government sponsored Homes for Ukraine Scheme? Perhaps we as a community can come together to offer support. Please let us know.

The Church Larder is still open offering food and household items for those who need them. The church is open daily.

On a different note, you will notice an official poster in the magazine, warning people about E-Scooters and the rules applying to them as they must not be used on public highways. In addition, there have also been a number of complaints of harassment and damage. The police have been informed and they will be adjusting their patrols accordingly.

For once, there are no donations this month but we appreciate that at the moment, there are greater needs in Ukraine.

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At our February meeting on the 25th held in the Memorial Hall, North Elmham, members were provided with an enjoyable meal on wheels delivered to the Hall. Grateful thanks go to Ben and his Crew from The Tea Post for providing this excellent service and superb meal, and also to our Chairman Ray and Committee for arranging this evening for members and their partners.

The Gardening Club's next meeting at the Memorial Hall, North Elmham is on:- THURSDAY 28th APRIL at 7.30pm.

Mr. Brian Butcher from the National Trust will give a talk entitled "A Blickling River in time".

Afterwards, as promised, members will be supplied with a potato and bag to plant at home and the resulting harvest of the potato will be announced at our Annual Horticultural Show in August. Strictly no eating!



Refreshments will be available. (Gentle reminder for Shirley and Ann) and a raffle. Don't forget there is a Flower of the Month competition.

Please come along.

Ann Ferris

THANK YOU

I walked past the Village Sign today and was delighted to see the beautiful daffodils dotted around the rose bushes which Terry Maidstone has recently pruned. It all looked so well kept.

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CRICKET CLUB MERGER

Careful readers of the March edition of the Elmham News will have noted in the report of the Parish Council Meeting of Feb 2, 2022, that North Elmham Cricket Club is merging with Brisley Cricket Club and will be playing their home fixtures at Brisley. As Chair of NECC I believe it is important that the thinking behind this merger and move is clear and transparent to everyone. In particular, it is a decision that has not been easy especially for those with longstanding connections with the village and the club but a decision that has been made for positive reasons. The intention is simply to strengthen both clubs and ensure that there is the best possible chance of continuing to provide cricket for all residents of both our communities and beyond.

It is no secret that at the community level team sport in general and not just cricket,

faces increasing challenges in terms of player and volunteer recruitment. I do not intend to elaborate at length on the reasons for this but changing work patterns, less emphasis on team sport in many schools and a greater range of other leisure opportunities have all been cited. And of course, the effects of the COVID pandemic have been devastating in so many ways including sport. North Elmham CC is a case in point- it was not that long ago that we ran 2 Saturday teams and a Sunday team whereas we have had to work hard to continue with one eleven on a Saturday.

The idea of a merger with Brisley began with increasingly cordial relations fostered by friendly matches over the last couple of years and underpinned by some personal relationships. A growing realisation that we faced similar challenges, had solutions that could be more effective in unison and the awareness that similar mergers were being considered or had already been

APRIL DATES TO REMEMBER

Tue 5th	Knit and Natter	Pavilion	2.00 pm
Wed 6th	Sewing Group Parish Council	Tumbleweed, Eastgate St Pavilion	2.00 pm 7.30 pm
Thu 7th	Royal British Legion	King's Head	8.00 pm
Wed 13th	Tea at Two	Memorial Hall	2.00 pm
Thu 14th	Wives+All Easter Wreaths	Eastgate Centre	7.30 pm
Fri 15th	Good Friday Bank Holiday		
Sun 17th	Easter Sunday Duck Race	Worthing	12.00 noon
Mon 18th	Easter Monday Bank Holiday		
Wed 20th	Sewing Group	Tumbleweed, Eastgate St	2.00 pm
Sat 23rd	St George's Day		
Wed 27th	Mobile Library Annual Parish Meeting	The Heath–Orchard Close Pavilion	2.30 pm–5.20 pm 7.30 pm
Thu 28th	Gardening Club: National Trust	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm

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implemented elsewhere in the county resulted in some concrete proposals that were initially considered and supported by both committees. Subsequently the consultation went out to members of both clubs and received unanimous support.

For the coming season, the intention is to continue to work together informally to put out a Saturday league team officially entered as North Elmham Brisley, a midweek social team under the banner of Brisley and a Ladies League Team the Brisley Belladonnas, thereby combining the respective current playing strengths. Members of all teams are currently enjoying weekly indoor nets together and building the personal relationships vital for the future of the merger. The decision to play at Brisley was based on the ground and its facilities being dedicated solely to cricket. We will also benefit by sharing all our other resources including volunteers, officers, equipment, and finance. Over the summer we intend to devise a new constitution and framework to bring the clubs together on a more formal basis, but the priority is to ensure the survival of cricket locally and aim to recruit enough players to field two Saturday teams possibly by next season.

I was hoping to conclude with the Saturday fixtures for the coming season but due to the recent collapse of the proposed merger of the two league structures in Norfolk, it has been back to the drawing board for the Norfolk Cricket League. Their AGM has now been arranged for early April when the composition of the divisions will be voted on and dates and opponents will follow on soon after. I shall inform the editors of the schedule as soon as possible and will as last year be providing match reports throughout the season. We of course welcome new players as well as supporters of cricket in general as well as NECC to see us in our new home once the season starts.

Mark Ballman, Chairman NECC

WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO !

Clocks are always changed in the last week of March to mark the beginning of British Summer Time (BST), otherwise referred to as Daylight Saving Time.

It was first designed to help the population, and season dependant farmers, maximise sunlight throughout the year.

It came into existence in 1916 through the Summer Time Act after a petition by British builder William Willet - the great-great-grandfather - of Coldplay frontman Chris Martin.

The arrival of March not only means less days until Easter, but more daylight hours in the UK.

Traditionally everyone in this time zone moves their clocks forward by an hour and although everyone may get less sleep, mornings and evenings will be lighter and brighter.

The time is changed twice a year in the UK and the nation last pushed their clocks back by 60 minutes in October.

It was believed the change would help save energy by reducing the amount of coal households consume and the act was passed during the First World War when resources were stretched thin.

The idea did not originate in the UK and the notion was first put on the table by American politician and inventor Benjamin Franklin, 1706 to 1790, who said if people get up earlier, everyone might save on candles!

UK residents and everyone in this time zone will have put their clocks forward by an hour on March 27, 2022 at 1am until October 30, 2022.

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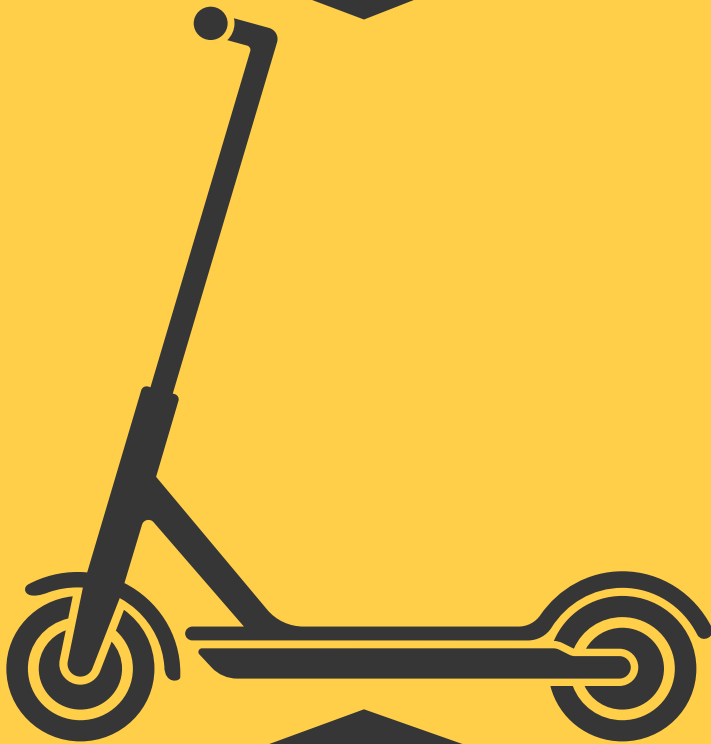
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WHAT A GANNET

Have you ever seen a Gannet up close and personal?

Bruce Howell, who lives at Broom Green, takes in injured and abandoned birds and nurses them back to health. Then they are released. He also does the same for injured and abandoned hedgehogs.

He told me that there was one bird he had never handled in his life... a Gannet. He was going to find out exactly what it would be like!

He was contacted by a couple who had found out how he helped wildlife and told him their story. They had found a young Gannet on the beach at Great Yarmouth and were concerned because they thought it was injured as it couldn't fly. They took it to a local vet who told them it was fine but too young to fly nor catch any fish. The couple brought the bird and a pail of fish to Bruce to nurse the bird back to health (Bruce did not say what his initial thoughts were when he saw the Gannet).

He had to give the bird two fishes, seven times a day to start with. It was quite cold at the time so he froze as many of the fish

as he could and the rest he had to keep in a cold place.


He measured the Gannet's beak; it was 6 inches long and he soon found out how lethal it was. Feeding the bird, he had to hold it by the neck and drop fish into its throat. He went on to say the beak was serrated on both inside edges of the beak. I can only imagine what a bite must have been like!

The Gannet was kept in a chicken house with a run for just over three weeks. The couple who had found it returned to take it back to Yarmouth where it was released on the beach as it could fly and presumably catch its own fish.

Bruce went on to say, that the Gannet was an ungrateful bird. He said normally when you have to hand feed a bird no matter what kind after a few days there is a bond between you, and they don't struggle or inflict bites and stabs on you! No one had told the Gannet that he should have been grateful.

I asked Bruce if he would ever like another Gannet...!

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World Book Day

What a fantastic effort from our children – the most amazing costumes! Thank you to all the parents for helping the children choose/make their costumes, they were so proud to stand up and show everyone and tell the class about their book character!

All the classes really enjoyed some shared reading sessions for World Book Day! Sheep class enjoyed reading some of their favourite stories to the older children, and Whales and Lions did a really good job of reading their books and supporting the younger ones! We all had lots of fun!

Red Nose Day

This year to celebrate, we are asking all children to wear something Red. School Parliament are also challenging the children to design and make their own superhero mask! We cannot wait to see the amazing masks.

Sheep Class

A learning-packed term has been had so far in Sheep class! We have been reading the wonderful 'Wombat Goes Walkabout' by Michael Morpurgo in English and are looking forward to writing our own stories inspired by the wombat's wanderings! In geography, we have been learning about the location of hot and cold places on our planet. We can now name the equator and the Northern and Southern Hemispheres, as well as some different climate zones. In science and DT we have been investigating the food we need to do to stay fit and healthy. In addition, our history lessons have been exploring how our food has changed over the last 100 years. In art, children have been learning about Bridget Riley and using collage to recreate some of her Op Art pieces. Well done, Sheep, a great start to the term!

Whales Class

Since returning from half term, Whales have been busy in class! In English, we

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started a new text 'Wolves in the Walls' and have written some excellent plot points using exciting vocabulary to build suspense in our own narratives. In Geography, we learnt about the advantages and disadvantages of living near a volcano. In History, we have started to find out about the life of Mary Anning. We have also used the book 'Stone Girl, Bone Girl' as part of our daily Book Talk sessions, which has helped support our History knowledge. We have also learnt about the layers of soil and the fossilisation process in Science. In PE, we have been focusing on sending and receiving a ball, with both our left and right hands. In French, we have started to learn nouns for our family members. As part of our Music sessions, we have stayed to learn and appraise a new song called 'The Dragon Song' which focuses on friendship and kindness. A fantastic start to the new half term, well done!

Lions Class

Lions have been working hard this half term and we have started our narrative in English-The Nowhere Emporium. In maths we have got to grips with long division which was challenging, and we are now working on decimals and percentages. Science has been electricity; we are all looking forward to working on our circuits to make light. In PE we have worked on physical skills. For RE we have looked at art, music and language and how it has affected the Christian Church. We are going to look at Islam next in a similar way. French has been learning about clothes. In music we have worked on the Adele song, Make You Feel My Love and in geography we have looked at the biomes of Russia and eastern European borders connected with the Second World War. In computing we have learnt about cyber safety. So, a very busy start to the term. Well done everyone!

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The morning of 22 June 1911 dawned bright and sunny, but cool. It was the Coronation Day of King George V and Queen Mary of Teck.

In his youth, it had seemed very unlikely that George would ever become king as he was the second son of Edward VII, but his older brother, Albert Victor had unexpectedly died of pneumonia in 1892 so, on the death of his father in 1910, George had ascended the throne.

A Committee of Coronation Festivities was set up in the weeks before the event with thirty members both women and men. Its chairman was Arthur Rackham, the village doctor and medical attendant for the Mitford and Launditch Union. After much discussion, the Committee drew up a lively programme of events for Coronation Day.

It was vital to discover how many parishioners would accept the invitation

to dinner and so committee members made house-to-house visits to collect the necessary information.

The secretary of the Festivities' Committee, William Kerrison, a grocer and sub-postmaster in the village, reported that over £60 had already been collected. Dr Rackham said he estimated that the planned programme could be carried out for less than the cost of the celebrations for the previous coronation in August 1902 when £70-80 had been spent.

Coronation day found the village in a festive spirit, gaily festooned with Union flags and bunting. The parish church boasted a new St George's flag, and this was seen fluttering from the tower whilst the bells pealed out a celebratory salute from time to time during the day.

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Anthem was sung accompanied by the Broom Green Band playing at the west end of the church.

Everyone then made their way to the Park, opened for the occasion by William Fulcher, land agent to Lord Sondes. Here a lively programme of sports was held in the afternoon watched by an enthusiastic crowd. Refreshments were available to all free of charge. A total of 450 bottles of ginger beer were drunk as well as 30 gallons of lemonade and 26 gallons of ale and 899 buns were eaten. The band added to the enjoyment, playing lively music.

The vicar presented every schoolboy and girl, their teachers and the children of the church choir with an enamelled half-pint Coronation mug as a souvenir. About 180 of these had been paid for by Miss Ruth White of Carrow Hall, Elmham.

Then followed the Parish meal. Eight hundred people sat down at the many tables and about a hundred waiters, the members of the Committee and others, served the meal. The food amounted to 80 pounds of roast beef, 300 pounds of salt beef, 60 pounds of roast leg of mutton, 200 pounds of cooked ham, 490 pounds of bread, 40 pounds of butter, 48 pints of mixed pickles and 234 pounds of plain and fruit cake. In addition, 3000 cups of tea were served using 30 gallons of milk and about 80 pounds of sugar.

The Committee had discovered that sixty or so old, frail and indisposed people would be unable to take part in the meal and so members of the Committee delivered food to them on Coronation morning.

Festivities continued into the evening, and it was generally felt that all the arrangements of the Committee had gone off perfectly and the day's celebrations could not have been better.

Norma Virgoe

NORFOLK TENNIS CLUB OF THE YEAR

North Elmham Tennis Club has been named Norfolk Club of the Year for the first time in the 2022 Norfolk LTA Awards.

The Club has come a long way in recent years, restructuring its membership packages and coaching programme, and encouraging more players to participate in weekly social sessions and team matches. Last summer, the floodlights were switched to all LEDs and the macadam courts will be resurfaced in the next couple of months.

Of course, none of this would have been possible without the hard work of the committee — Judy Biggie, James Buddell, Ros Condon, Lynda Denmead, Sandra Henderson, Geraldine Leeder, Andrew Parsons and Linda Smith — plus other volunteers, including Jim Biggie and Christine Skipper, team captains and coaches, Chris Sanders and Jonathan Lindner.

There will be a presentation of the Club of the Year award on Saturday, 11th June, when there will also be coaching, a tournament and BBQ social. If you're interested in coming along to watch, and/or even play tennis, you're more than welcome! More information will be provided in next month's NE News.

The tennis club has also recently been put forward for the LTA Central & East region award, ahead of national judging in May.

Quiz Night, Fish & Chips Social Friday, 22nd April

The tennis club is organising a quiz night, with fish & chips and desserts, at the Memorial Hall in North Elmham on Friday, 22 April. Doors will open at 6:30pm, with the quiz starting at 7pm. As in 2019, Mark Campbell will conduct the quiz and food will be served from the Elmham chippy between 7.30–8.00pm. Everyone is welcome!



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Dates, timings and final details will be announced in the coming months.



If you'd like to get involved as a team of six, a single or a pair entry, please get in touch with Sandra Henderson (sandra@hendersons.co.uk) or Linda Smith (lindasmithatwork@yahoo.co.uk). The cost is £15 per person to be paid on booking by 12 April.

**Tennis Court Resurfacing Project
March/April 2022**

The tennis club will be closed from 14 March until early May as the tennis courts will be resurfaced for the first time, 21 years after the two-court facility opened. Weekly tennis sessions, including Tuesday junior coaching, will run on the Dereham leisure centre courts. The committee would like to thank the Parish Council, bowls club and local residents for their support and understanding in improving this community facility.

Join As A Member

If you're interested in joining the tennis club, membership runs through to 30th April 2023.

Adult: £70 - Any player who is over 18 and not in full-time education;

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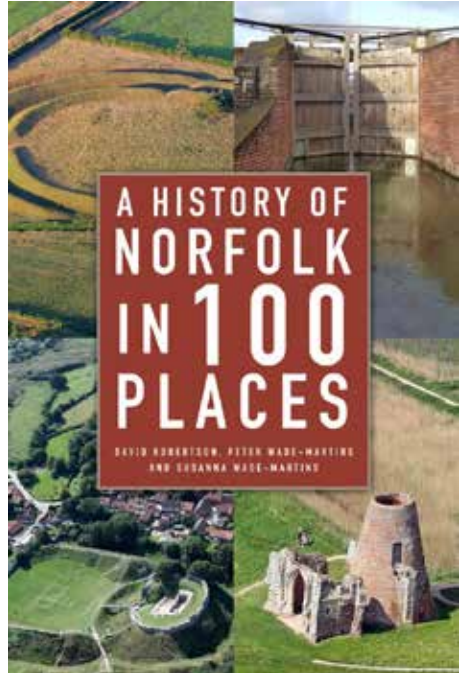
Junior (ages 4-11): FREE - A player who is aged 11 and under;

Junior (ages 12-17): £15 - A player in secondary school education;

Student: £25 - A player who is in full-time college or university education;

Parent: £15 - For parents wishing to hit with their child, who is under 12.

*New members will need to pay an additional £6.50 (refundable) for a key fob to access the main gate and pavilion.



A GOOD NORFOLK READ

I recently read "A History of Norfolk in 100 Places", and this is exactly what it says on the tin!

I have visited lots of places all over the county, some of them weird, some strange but all places of much interest. But this book has shown me something new, places I have missed...and now places I want to go for a visit.

This book was a fascinating read and I know I will keep going back to it.

It lists 100 places within the county which we can visit. It is readable with enough history to encourage the reader to actually visit some of these places and find out more.

There is something for everyone here whether you love history, you are a lover of old buildings and archaeology or just enjoy social history. Do you wonder about



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the lives of people who have lived here but are long gone now?

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The book took three years to complete and the authors are indebted to the many people who were consulted, who are experts in their particular field.

It is written in three sections beginning with the Palaeolithic era and ending with the section on the 20th Century. At the start of each section is a general description of the period, there then follows places in Norfolk to visit. There are photographs of each place as well as the text, followed by suggestions for further reading at the end.

I highly recommend this book. If you buy it, please let us know where you have been for a visit.

Finally, our ruins are featured, or the proper name for these is 'The site of the Anglo-Saxon Cathedral and early Norman Bishop's chapel'. Have you visited the site?

However, as the three authors (David Robertson, Peter Wade-Martins and Susanna Wade-Martins) said in the acknowledgements, "All three authors would like to thank each other for their forbearance and for endlessly reading each other's texts!" Peter and Susanna live here in Eastgate Street.

Book shops have already sold out which shows it is a popular book, but there is another print run from the printers coming very soon.

WIVES + ALL

At our March meeting in the Memorial Hall, North Elmham we were given a talk by Rosie Begg from Gorgate Hall Farm near Gressenhall. Rosie grew up at the farm which her late father Brian Cross had

purchased and which had a contract with Ribena. Blackcurrants have been grown at Gorgate Hall Farm for over 70 years. There are only 5 farms in Norfolk and a total of 29 growers in the UK, exclusively for Ribena and all are members of the Ribena Foundation. As a teenager, Rosie had spent many long hours in long summers on the farm's blackcurrant harvester helping to harvest the blackcurrant crops, a task that she didn't particularly enjoy. She went to Exeter University and she then lived in London and worked in finance, marketing, and PR. However, she had a longing for her home county Norfolk, so she returned to Gorgate with her husband Alex and is now in her fourth year as a farmer. Rosie said that she had little knowledge about farming and harvesting blackcurrants but with the help of her husband, she has taken over the responsibility for Gorgate Hall Farm directing its staff, and its growing and harvesting of blackcurrants for Ribena. She explained the workings of the complicated Blackcurrant Harvester and told of hand weeding and hoeing 7 hectares of blackcurrant bushes. Rosie is very keen on future involvement in biodiversity, effectively managing her land in a way that protects and enhances the wildlife in the environment, thus improving the soil and water quality and being eco-friendly. Thanks to Rosie for a very interesting talk about her life and work.

WIVES + ALL's next monthly meeting is on THURSDAY 14th APRIL. Please note CHANGE OF VENUE for this meeting as it is in THE EASTGATE CENTRE, Eastgate Street, North Elmham at 7.30pm.

We will be making an Easter Wreath demonstrated by Laura Eastall of Wreaths for All Occasions. Please bring your own foliage, flowers and decorations.

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- ★ I thought growing older would take longer.
- ★ My bucket list: keep breathing.
- ★ Just once, I want a username and password prompt to say, "Close enough."
- ★ Being an adult is the dumbest thing I have ever done.
- ★ I'm a multitasker. I can listen, ignore and forget all at the same time!
- ★ Retirement to do list: Wake up. Nailed it!
- ★ People who wonder if the glass is half empty or half full miss the point. The glass is refillable.
- ★ I don't have grey hair. I have wisdom highlights.
- ★ Sometimes it takes me all day to get nothing done.
- ★ I don't trip, I do random gravity checks.
- ★ Common sense is not a gift. It's a punishment because you have to deal with everyone else who doesn't have it.

TEA AT TWO

So lovely to be able to resume 'Tea at Two' at last. Around 25 people came along on 9th March to enjoy delicious Afternoon Tea and well-loved songs from the Fakenham Ukes.

The next T@2 is on Wednesday 13th April at North Elmham Memorial Hall .

Cakes, sandwiches, savouries and music. Everyone is welcome, please bring a friend and a neighbour. Lifts can be arranged – call Tish on 01362 668678.

KNIT AND NATTER

Last month the hospital fund raiser mentioned that amongst other knitted items, knee blankets for the Dementia unit, would always be welcome. By coincidence, several lovely knee blankets, knitted by members of the group, were brought to the February meeting. So, I have spent many happy hours sewing onto these blankets twiddle bits for the dementia patients to twiddle with as they have them over their knees. Well, it makes a change from knitting.

However, I think we may well have found something interesting on the horizon to knit towards, i.e. the village Jubilee Fete, which is to be in June. Therefore, I wish to make an appeal for any red, white or blue bits of wool you have hanging around, or under the bed! Please donate by giving me a call, and our teddy bears in our "pick out the pin" game, will look so smart in their new patriotic clothes.

Just a reminder that our meetings now are on the first Tuesday of the month, and the next one will be on April 5th at the pavilion 2-00 til 4-00 pm

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NORTH ELMHAM WILDLIFE



Last month I talked about several birds of prey and I have another one to tell you about this month. Until recently Goshawks were very rare resident breeding birds in Norfolk with just a handful of pairs in the Brecks and sometimes at 2-3 woodlands elsewhere, but they seem to be on the increase. Well-known for being much bigger than the closely-related Sparrowhawk, they are often misidentified by inexperienced or overly-optimistic birdwatchers who fail to appreciate quite how big Sparrowhawks can sometimes look. But even allowing for some false claims, last year was undoubtedly a very good year for Goshawks with reliable observers finding them at lots of new places. Earlier this year a friend saw one on the edge of our parish giving me some optimism that I might see one here one day soon.

This morning I was walking along the railway at the bottom of the Cathedral Meadows, looking up towards the chapel when all of a sudden birds burst into the air from all directions. Flocks of Woodpigeons going one way, Jackdaws and Rooks the other. There was no gunshot or any other loud noise that might have caused the unrest, so I suspected that a large bird of prey might be flying over. The usual candidates don't normally cause quite so much avian terror across their path – this might be something altogether more interesting, I thought. Then it appeared, a big raptor flying straight towards me. Something about its structure and the way it was flying immediately made me think it was a Goshawk, and so it proved as it flew right over my head (photo 1). It was a female, a young bird so not breeding locally – at least not yet.

I haven't got much other bird news to share with you this month, although it's been great to hear the first Chiffchaffs

A close-up photograph of a white bowl filled with a thick, orange-brown soup, topped with a dollop of white cream. In the foreground, a chocolate cake is decorated with numerous almonds. The background is softly blurred, showing what appears to be a wooden table.

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back this week (photo 2). They're usually the first of our summer visitors to arrive, belting out their strident chiff-chiff-chaff song from the still-bare tree tops. By the time you read this there should be one or two other species joining them but April will see the peak arrival of the majority of our breeding birds that migrate south for the winter.

As the spring starts to nudge its way towards us invertebrate life seems to be slowly waking up. Of course it never goes completely dormant, with insects and spiders found throughout the year, but the numbers and diversity shoot up during the spring. 7-spot Ladybirds have become much easier to find during the last few days, moving out of the nooks and crannies they've hibernated in and now visible as they rest on vegetation along the hedgerows (photo 3). The distinctive Marmalade Hoverfly started to appear in the latest sunshine too (photo 4) – readily told apart from other hoverflies by the double dark lines on each segment of its body. My garden moth trap has started to get busier, the highlights including a smart Dotted Chestnut (photo 5), a recent colonist here. One night I caught three Small Brindled Beauties (photo 6), which was quite something considering that I'd only caught two here during the previous seven years.

Most of our wildflowers haven't started flowering yet but one thing that is flowering now is Hazel. Like several other trees, Hazel has male and female flowers. The male flowers are the familiar catkins that start appearing in autumn but become more conspicuous as they open up in spring, but you might not be quite so familiar with the female flowers because they are so small and are easily overlooked (photo 7). With their ray of crimson fingers like a miniature sea anemone the female flowers are arguably the prettiest part of the tree.

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One day a couple of my friends went out and found some scale insects on Ivy. They each went home and checked the Ivy in their respective gardens and both found more of these scale insects in their garden. Scale insects are really bizarre creatures, almost completely flat and seemingly lacking any recognisable features that you would normally expect to see on an insect, like legs, or wings, or antennae. Even if you turn one over and look at it under a microscope it's still pretty hard to see how on earth it can be a real live insect. I've not seen many scale insects, and the ones I have seen I haven't been able to identify (there are no good books on identifying them and few other resources available online). Some scale insects are considered pests, so maybe the gardeners among you are more familiar with them than I am, but my friends' news of scale insect activity piqued my interest. Next day I walked round the parish scrutinising Ivy in several places and eventually I started finding these curious little creatures. I think they must be late risers as it got easier as the morning progressed, and in the end I was finding them virtually anywhere I looked, sometimes with several on a single leaf (photo 8). We think these are a species which isn't actually restricted to Ivy – the Soft Brown Scale.

The scale insects were tiny, but some of the springtails are even smaller. Most springtails are relatively long and thin, but there's one group of springtails that are short and round, called globular springtails. This morning I found a type of globular springtail that I'd never seen before (although they're meant to be really common). I don't think it has an English name but *Dicyrtomina saundersi* is a golden-yellow ball of cuteness with dark eye patches and a liberal spangling of regal purple over its head and body (photo 9). It's just 1.5mm long so if you find one you might need at least a magnifying glass to see it properly but as

is so often the way, nature's beauty can come in the tiniest of packages.

Big or small, there's always plenty of interesting wildlife to see around the village so do get in touch if you have anything interesting to share (email appleton.dave@googlemail.com, phone 668431 or message me via Twitter at @ElmhamMeadows).

Dave Appleton



WVBS

I'm pleased to report that starting with the March meeting our indoor presentations will again be taking place in Great Witchingham Village Hall, although our most recent talk on the Wildlife of Shetland was still on Zoom. That lovely talk by Matt Eade was accompanied by beautiful photographs and really whetted our appetites for trips to the islands.

Meantime we have been having outdoor visits in the normal way, and it's been a pleasure to meet up with fellow members after quite a long time! We started with a day at Hickling Broad NWT and Stubb mill for the later roost. Two groups went around the reserve separately to accommodate the large number and included several new members. I'm glad to report that they all seemed to have enjoyed the experience, and the

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account of one of them can be seen in our newsletter. Even the experienced birders in the group were surprised to see a Hooded Crow – not a species normally found here. There was also a Great White Egret and plenty of Marsh Harriers quartering the reedbed. The day was extremely windy, which may have been the reason that only a single Mute Swan was seen on the Broad itself, along with the sailing boats.

After lunch back at the visitor centre 6 members remained and walked down the track alongside the new scrapes towards the Stubb Mill roost viewpoint. A good variety of ducks were seen, including Wigeon, Teal, Gadwall, Shoveller and a single male Mandarin. The latter was especially exciting for new birders! They arrived at the watchpoint an hour before sunset, and were delighted to see a total of 10 Common Cranes fly in. Of course, there were large numbers of Marsh Harriers, and they really do seem to enjoy the wind. An excellent start to outdoor meetings. A report of the next one will be available for next month.

Forthcoming events:

Indoor meetings at Great Witchingham Village Hall at 7.30pm.

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Thursday 24th April – AGM followed by The Re-introduction of the White-tailed Eagle by Zoe Smith

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ELMHAM NEWS IN AUSTRALIA

An hour or so ago I stumbled on Elmham News (on Facebook) as I scrolled through reading, streets, names of people and places leapt out at me, and then – there was Jimmy Brown - and isn't it almost 2 years since his passing. Jimmy is my brother.

I had a chuckle over the comment he made about long distance driving without use of sat nav - typical of him. He visited us in Australia some years ago, about 2012 I think. He declared he would be driving from Brisbane to us, living at that time in Mullion Creek, in Central West NSW a 10 hour drive - though Jimmy always questions why we gauge road distances in how long it takes to get from A to B – it's miles not minutes he'd say – and of course he needed no sat nav.

I went to school briefly at Elmham before going to Dereham Secondary Modern (as Jimmy would say), think it was Eastgate Street I used to walk down, meeting up with friend Marion Stephens before heading to the station to get the train.

Remember skating on the ice (occasionally thin ice) on the lake in the Park, more than once we made a hasty retreat as the ice began creaking. I was a bellringer at St Mary's, did tap dancing lessons at the pub (I think it was) on other side of the railway.

I rode Mr Mayes horses – think he was at Worthing; I still have a book he gave me on Horse Husbandry – prepared for the War Department in 1933.

Enough of my rambling. My husband and I were to have returned to UK 2020 - and we all know why that didn't happen, would you believe it's less than a week ago that people were allowed to travel to Western Australia from other states.

Thank you for making Elmham News available to all. It's made me more

ELMHAM TEA POST

In response to the humanitarian disaster unfolding in Ukraine, we are supporting those most in need through the British Red Cross Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC).



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determined than ever that we plan a visit in near future, just remembered I have to, we've promised 11 year old grandson we'll take him to UK before he starts High School February 2023.

Now I'll return to my reminiscences of growing up in Elmham

Kind regards.

Pearl Butcher (nee Brown)
Orange New South Wales

This is the result of Janet having seen Pearl's first letter to Elmham News.

Evening Pearl,

I guess its bedtime for you about now but for us its 7pm. Do you remember me, Janet Yarham before I was married.

I passed the 11+ and went to Fakenham Grammar School where I was very happy except for the daily Maths lessons – How I hated them and consequently now when I see numbers my stomach still turns. My husband Bob was in my class there and we both became teachers. I taught the lower end of the Primary school for 34 years and he taught PE and Maths.

It was a surprise to see your email to the village website, but it has brought back many childhood memories. I remember trying to skate on the lake, I think it must have been in the early to mid-1950's. Father worked for the Air Vice Marshal Don and his wife lent me a pair of (I'm sure they were) Victorian skates. They fitted so I was happy pushing a wooden fold up chair around the lake, and like you said if you heard a cracking sound you got off pretty quickly.

Do you remember there was a sunken road, parallel with the road up the hill and when it snowed, we took plastic bags and metal sheets to slide down the sides. Now it is full of trees, but it was once the proper road thro' the village. How times change.

You mentioned Jimmy. I like going to Parish Council meetings in the village. I go because I like to keep them on their toes! But the highlight of any meeting was always Jimmy saying 'just stop. I don't understand those long words remember I only went to a Secondary Modern School so say that again please. And they would. Jimmy was brilliant. If he saw a job needing to be done in the village, he got on and did it... he didn't wait to tell the other Parish councillors what needed doing.

Marion Stevenson was the girl you mentioned, I think she lives on the coast somewhere. You mentioned bell ringing. Very sadly they are rarely rung now as we don't have a band of ringers like there was in the past. I guess it was my father who tried to teach you to ring.

I also rode like you did. The Dons had a white pony and as Father looked after Mrs Don's hunter I was allowed to ride whenever I wanted, and I adored it. I would go out to the Park with nothing but a halter and ride bareback, until she pitched me into a huge pile of nettles. I wasn't so keen on bareback riding after that!

Sorry I have run on, memories do that to you. Do you think you could do some more writing for us to put in the Elmham News then maybe others who have left these shores might do the same. Just a thought.

Janet - Thank you for email, so lovely to hear a little of the past - not sure what that says about ageing.

I think I vaguely remember you, did you have red hair – or was that a Pam Parfit? certainly, remember your Dad. Coincidence only last Tuesday pm I tried bellringing again for first time since leaving UK - it was not good, I'm sure the 'sally' did not fly up so fast when ringing at St Mary's. How on earth did you manage to stay in teaching for 30+ years - I reckon teachers deserve a medal. Though have to say – I love coaching the

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juniors in dragon boating, had a school team for few years, they kept me sane. So enthusiastic, lot of fun. Currently coaching a small group of kids from a disadvantage school, lovely kids but one with huge issues, I gather he's had a traumatic 14 years, aboriginal, with almost zero attention span, I have to be super alert when he's on the boat – be ready to counter any sudden movement he makes. Keeps me on my toes.

Marion Stephenson, now Matthews I think, found me about six years ago on Facebook, she lives in Yarmouth or Gorleston, the latter I think. Not a well lady. That contact led to link up with Margaret Frost – now Taylor.

I think Jimmy and I were alike in 'just getting on and getting things done'. It gets me into all sorts of strife. I'm very involved in dragon boating, in fact a few friends and I got it established in Orange 15 years ago, I try so hard to stand back

and let others run things but what do you do when the President is so disorganised, issues are raised at meetings (which are held very irregularly under her leadership) but nothing actually happens – until I just do it myself or line up someone else to do it.. I'm a dragon boat tragic so won't ramble on too much!

When last in UK, 10 or 12 years ago I joined up with the Paddlers for Life on Lake Windemere, must say they're a tough lot, it was raining when we got the boats out, it was teeming down couple of hours later when it was time to come in for lunch and review the video someone had taken of the morning session – it then began bucketing down over lunch and I'm thinking they won't go out after lunch - how wrong can one be.

I was all ready to take a team to Spain, Venice and Ireland for events – then Covid arrived. Its only few weeks since Australia has been allowed to travel overseas and

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so far, I'm not inclined to put together a team to go anywhere. Will have to get over that, got an international regatta in New Zealand in April next year – that's been postponed twice due to Covid, all breast cancer survivor teams. Thank goodness I'm not organising it, just sweeping - that's steering the boat.

I've taken teams to Rome, Venice (for Vogalonga,) 30+km paddler around the islands, completing the event by coming down the Grand Canal to St Peter's Basin. Some of us then went to Israel for one of the first regattas they'd had - interesting experience.

And to get dragon boat talk out of the way now - I'm a Australian Dragon Boat Federation Official Level 3, Likewise Coach - can't get higher than that until they write the Level 4 Coaches syllabus – took them 10 years to write Level 2, I was in the first group to do the Level 3 course – the manual was stack of pages stapled together, over which the Aust. Head Coach wrote many notes – at the suggestion of those of us participating in the course - for the final draft.

My working life has been checkered, Dairy farmers, apiarists – that started as a hobby but when friends started to hide when I arrived with more honey – we decided to go commercial, with some success, I loved working with the bees, incredible creatures - moving truck loads of bees in middle of the night wasn't always so much fun - though mostly we enjoyed it. The "hobby" became so successful it was case of expand - for 3rd time, or get out. We got out. I also worked for Juvenile Justice and for a while a D & Alcohol referral program – which involved the courts too. After 12 years of that and the powers that be telling us to keep the kids out of detention – by writing "favourable" reports for the magistrates and then final straw being instructed to get the kids to complete, in their own handwriting, yet

more forms. Seem no one gave a thought to the fact many kids, and their families were/are illiterate.

Somewhere there along the way 1 son and 2 daughters arrived, Son, Julian has had checkered working life too, currently he and his wife run a remedial massage clinic in Melbourne, established it and run it for a Swiss company. Julian does the admin work. They moved to Melbourne literally days before Victoria was totally locked down 2020, they're coming up for Easter be the first time we've seen them for 2 years.

Melissa – is assistant dean at Birkbeck (London Uni) but currently in New York heading up a research team - back to UK in July I think. Not sure what the research covers but its sure to be about the underdog, Geography, social/cultural change is her field

Colleen, lives in North Richmond, Sydney side of the Blue Mountains, last Wednesday she went into work (an OSS, overseas shipping company) picked up computer etc and returned home before all the roads closed. Lower parts of Richmond are flooding, if water ever gets up to their house we're all in trouble! Mick, her partner is a supervisor for Woolies supermarkets and he's not going anywhere till the water goes down. Their son Parker, 11 yrs old is still able to go to school but not to Swimming squad or Tai Kwan Doe, both twice a week, as for soccer on Saturday - last year the flooding of the soccer fields left the goal posts just peeping out of the water, reports are the flood levels are already ½ metre higher than last year so doubt if the goal posts are visible. And it's still raining all down the coast, Sydney is copping it bigtime. What a decade (and more), we had drought, wide spread for 4 and 5 years, depending where you lived, bushfires whole coast of NSW, then flooding up north coast, mouse plague

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inland NSW, thank God we were no longer farming, or keeping bees, won't go into details – it was revolting for those out west, cars wrecked – mice chewing through electricals in house and cars, then arrived covid . And just when we all thought we're retuning to 'normal' more flooding. Talk about Apocalypse now.

Hope I've not bored you – I tend to get carried away when I write letters. If any of the above is of use for the Elmham News

feel free to use it. How long has the EN been around, I don't remember anything like that. I'm guessing you must be involved with publication of it somehow, I did love reading it - and that was before I realised Jimmy's story was in there.

Till next time, George, my husband is in the kitchen – so must be dinner time.

Pearl

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CRICKET MID NORFOLK VILLAGE SHIELD SUCCESS

In an old scrapbook of press cuttings about the village one hundred years ago the sporting prowess is always there. We don't know if the writer of the Cricket and Football news is written by the same writer, but both are remarkably similar!

The writer for the Sporting News, as a local, is always fulsome in his praise for the local clubs. If the Elmham team lost it was rarely the fault of the players, the match has to be dire for him, but to give him his due, if the game is awful, he will tell you! The following was written in August 1908.

Mid Norfolk Village Shield

North Elmham V Weasenham – The final match in connection with this competition took place at Billingford on Saturday and resulted in a victory for North Elmham by 98 runs.

The Shield was presented to the North Elmham Captain (Dr A.R. Rackham) by Mr W.L. Boyle of Honingham who was pleased to perform that duty for the third time. He congratulated the winning team upon a fine display of all round cricket and wished the loser more success in the future. Elmham had a celebrated village team, and it was no disgrace to be beaten by such a Club.





ST MARY'S CHURCH

I am writing this letter at the beginning of Lent. It so was good to welcome friends from other Parishes at our Ash Wednesday Eucharist at Foulsham.

It is a pity that many see Lent as a time of doom and gloom. Not a bit of it, it is, rather, a time for a spiritual spring clean - and that can only be positive.

All of us are aware of the terrible situation in Ukraine and the suffering of the people there. Amidst the darkness there is also a lot of goodness and generosity; the people of Poland and other neighbouring nations have been quick to respond with love - offering help and hospitality to homeless, frightened and hungry refugees. Appeals for aid and support here, have been met with a generous response.

People are saying "what can we do?". Besides financial help, we need to pray - pray for an end to bloodshed, for the terrified, the bereaved and the hungry. As we yearn for peace, we remember the words of Jesus, "Blessed are the peacemakers"

Easter will soon be here.

So let us speak of love, mostly of love -

Speak to ourselves till all the barriers of mistrust are down.

Speak to the nations of love's wisdom and hate's foolishness.

Let us remember the love of the great Father of us all.

Surrounded as we are by war and hatred, the message of Easter shines out in the darkness. Look at the spring flowers and the budding trees, We cannot doubt the love of our Creator God. The Message echoes down the ages - and it is ours too. "Christ is risen - He is risen indeed"

Keep praying for peace. Let Lent be a time of growth in our prayers and in our lives.

God bless you all this Eastertide.

See you in Church.

Michael

MORE 2 LIFE

With current world events as they are, and who knows where we will be by the time this goes to print, I have been reflecting on the wisdom of Psalm 146.

This Psalm starts confidently, by praising the Lord. You may ask, what is there to praise God about when the world is in such turmoil? Maybe we don't feel like praising God this week. Maybe personally we have had some battles. Maybe we feel like God isn't here. Maybe, praising the Lord is the last thing we like doing.

Maybe, seeing world events unfold, we ask, how are we supposed to praise the Lord in such a time as this?

The Psalmist gives us some pointers.

The psalmist starts with a call to praise God, then a warning against praising men; then a blessing upon those who trust in God as their Creator and Redeemer, and a final note that God reigns.

Like the Psalmist, we need to exhort ourselves to actively engage in worshipping the God made known to us through the Lord Jesus Christ. It is a choice that is our responsibility alone to make, whatever our circumstances. Can we say with Psalmist, 'While I live, while I still have breath, I will choose to praise the Lord my God.'

But why God? The Psalmist points out that it is foolishness to put our trust anywhere else. Politicians, world leaders, bankers and financiers, councils, news sources, the justice system, music moguls, Hollywood stars, entrepreneurs, big businesses... they will all fade away. Here today and gone tomorrow. What good will all of their plans be then?

The blessed person, says the Psalm, is the one who has God for help. Our hope is in Him, the Creator and the Redeemer who reigns forever and executes justice.

Choose then, today, whom you will put your trust in.

Every blessing,

Anne-Marie Fewell

Pastor, More2Life Christian Fellowship

WORTHING NEWS

One of the highlights on St Margaret's Calendar is our Annual Duck Race on Easter Sunday.

Between now and Easter Sunday, you will receive a knock on your door enquiring firstly, if you wish to take part this year and then you decide which numbered duck/ticket you wish to sponsor. Finally, come along if you can and cheer on your duck(s) to cross the finishing line on the day 1st, 2nd, 3rd Easter Egg prizes and more to be won that day. Tickets will also

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Church Service dates for April

Holy Communion on the 10th April & Iona Service on the 24th April. Both services starting at 10.30am and followed by refreshments and local banter.

Our Iona Service in February where our thoughts were with those suffering in times of conflict, a particular hymn sung held a lot of meaning to what is taking place in Ukraine. The first verse:

*Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred,
Let me bring you love.
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,
And where there's doubt,
True faith in you.*

You may wish to listen to the full hymn sung by Westminster Abbey Choir on this link: youtu.be/eHVz45n5a9M

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Heart of Norfolk Group Services in April

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10.30 am	Bawdeswell + Zoom	Holy Communion
10.30 am	North Elmham	Holy Communion
10.30 am	Stibbard	Holy Communion
5.00 pm	Foxley	Informal Evening Prayer

10th April – Palm Sunday

10.30 am	Bawdeswell + Zoom	'The 10.30'
10.30 am	Foulsham	Holy Communion
10.30 am	Stibbard	Morning Praise
10.30 am	Worthing	Holy Communion

Monday 11th April

7.00 pm	North Elmham	Compline (Night Prayer)
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Wednesday 13th April

pm	Worthing	Pilgrim Cross prayers
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Maundy Thursday 14th April

7.30 pm	North Elmham	Holy Communion with Washing of the Feet
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Good Friday 15th April

2.00 pm	Bawdeswell + Zoom	Hour before the Cross
2.00 pm	North Elmham	Hour before the Cross
2.00 pm	Foulsham	Hour before the Cross

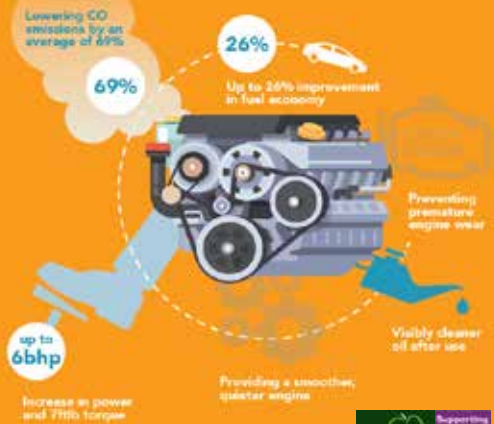
17th April – Easter Day

10.30 am	Bawdeswell + Zoom	All-Age Communion
10.30 am	North Elmham	Holy Communion
10.30 am	Wood Norton	Holy Communion
4.00 pm	Foulsham	Sung Evensong

24th April – 2nd Sunday of Easter

10.30 am	Bawdeswell + Zoom	Word & Praise
10.30 am	Foulsham	Holy Communion
10.30 am	Guist	Holy Communion
10.30 am	North Elmham	Morning Praise
10.30 am	Worthing	Morning Praise

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Playing Field / Pavilion

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Footpath Warden

	●									✓
			●							✓
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Services & Other

Highways

Planning

Street Lighting

Environment & Maintenance

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Website

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Meetings are normally held on the first Wednesday of the month and take place in the Pavilion, commencing at 7.30pm. Parishioners are entitled to attend and are most welcome. Our County and District Councillor is also in attendance whenever possible. If, in between meetings, you wish to raise a specific matter for the attention of the Parish Council - please refer to the contact list above.

And finally... have you got something interesting you would like to say or think others might be interested in something you do - why not email the Editors (see front of magazine for contact details) and let us know, we are always on the lookout for new contributors.

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