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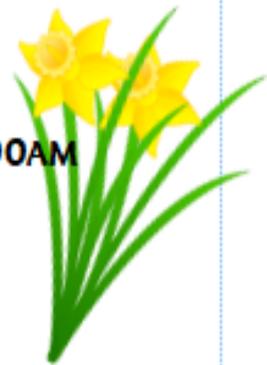
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SUNDAY 27TH MARCH AT 1.00AM TO 2.00AM**



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Midweek Communion every Wednesday 11.30am in East Harling Church.

~ Welcome to our Services in March 2022 ~

Date	East Harling	Bridgham	Larling	Brettenham
Wednesday 2 nd March (Ash Wednesday)	Liturgy of Ash Wednesday 7.00pm			
Friday 4 th March	World Day of Prayer 6.00pm			
SUNDAY 6 th March	11.00 am All Age Service 6.00 pm Soul Café in OSH	11.00 am Holy Communion		
SUNDAY 13 th March	9.30 am Holy Communion		11.00 am Holy Communion	
SUNDAY 20 th March	9.30 am Holy Communion 6.30 pm Harling Praise	11.00 am Service of the Word (Mothering Sunday service)		
SUNDAY 27 th March (Mothering Sunday)	11.00am Holy Communion		11.00 am Morning Prayer	11.00 am Holy Communion

METHODIST CHAPEL WHITE HART STREET Services in March

6th	Soul Cafe at the Old School Hall	6.00pm
13th	Mrs Jane Mottram	6.30pm
20th	Harling Praise, EH Parish Church	6.30pm
27th	Mrs Linda Spencer	6.30pm

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~ Parish Records ~ Nothing for February

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MARCH 2022

19th In loving memory of a dear sister **LESLEY**, sadly missed by all the family. Love Janice, Paul and all the family.

21st In loving memory of **Sheila BOND**, Ann and Angela.

28th **Eric HOLDEN**: Our Dear Dad passed away 28th March 2021. Loving you and missing you always, Sue and Billy.

Thank you to all who sponsor the floodlighting of East Harling Church



LENT COURSE

The Lent course continues on Mondays, at 2pm and 7pm using Paula Gooder's book 'The Joy of the Gospel' as a guide. All materials are provided and there are no costs involved.

Anyone interested can join in, just contact Revd Simon 01953 558763 or harlingrevd@gmail.com for details of the venue or if you wish to join on Zoom at 7pm, for the meeting code and password. We look forward to seeing you!

2nd March - ASH WEDNESDAY

There will be a Liturgy of Ash Wednesday to mark the beginning of Lent at 12.30pm in Garboldisham, and at 7pm in East Harling ... all are welcome to either or both!

MIDWEEK COMMUNION

This short communion service continues every Wednesday in St Peter and St Paul's Church at 11.30am, the next one is on Wednesday 2nd March..



Feel free to bring your lunch with you so that we can share some social time together. Tea and coffee will be provided.

MOTHERING SUNDAY 27th MARCH 2022

Special services will be held at East Harling and at Bridgham – please see page 3 for details. Please will you help us to make up the posies for the 'Mums' in East Harling Church on **Saturday 26th March at 4.00pm**

All help will be appreciated (especially from the Dads and children!). Donations of Spring flowers and/or foliage will be gratefully received. All donations/further information to/from Caryl on 01953 717451

EA S T E R L I L I E S

Following the relaxation of COVID restrictions, we plan to resume decorating East Harling Church with lilies at Easter. As in previous years, if you would like to donate a lily or lilies in memory of a departed loved one, please let Chris Tagg know as soon as possible.

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Annual Meetings of Parishioners (AMPs) and Annual Parochial Church Meetings (APCMs)

Each of the Anglican churches in our Benefice will be holding their annual meetings in April for the year ahead. In most cases, their Annual Meeting of Parishioners (AMP) will immediately precede their Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). The AMP may be attended by anyone who lives within the curtilage of the respective parish and it is at this meeting that the parish (not the church) elects its churchwardens.

At the APCM, those who are members of the church's Electoral Roll make a number of elections, including to laity membership of the PCC. It is also, importantly, a time when church accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021 are presented and where the church reports on its previous year and activities. It is a time, therefore, where people are able to listen and discuss but also to make enquiry of and rejoice in (hopefully!) the life of their local church, its ministry, mission and management.

Revision of the Electoral Roll takes place each year and anyone wishing to remain on the Roll, be removed or added, must make an application to do so, to your Electoral Roll Officer, or by completing an application. In Harling the revision of the Roll opens on the 13 March and ends on the 6 April 2022.

The dates of the APM and APCM for Harling are **Friday 22nd April 7.00pm AMP, followed by APCM in Church**. The dates for APM/APCM in other churches in the benefice will be published in the April magazine.

HARLING PRAISE on SUNDAY 20th MARCH

Harling Praise is a united service run jointly by the Parish Church and Methodist Church in East Harling. A monthly service on the third Sunday of each month at 6.30pm and alternates venue between the two Churches.

It's a less formal time. We spend most of it singing a mixture of songs and the occasional hymn too. There is a short Bible based talk. It's a really special time to sing our praise to God! Afterwards we share in a cuppa and biscuits. So if you like a good sing DO COME!!!



Dear friends

We are now beginning the journey through Lent, which is incredible, since it feels like I've only just put the Christmas decorations away! But time continues on its way, and so we continue onwards too.

Lent has often become a time when we give something up, inside the Church, and outside it too. So we may give up chocolate, or alcohol, or social media. One year, I gave up television for Lent, and to be honest, it really was a good thing to do! However, often we treat it like a kind of second New Year's Resolution ... and quite often in our mind, we give that something up because it will help us with some other ulterior motive ... such as losing some weight, or becoming a bit less dependent on something. And absolutely nothing wrong with all of that.

However, I want to suggest another way of viewing this idea. When I lived in Northern Ireland, I was at a Church youth event in Belfast, where a monk from the Holy Cross Monastery in Rostrevor was speaking. This was quite a big deal, as the event was populated entirely by Protestants, and this monk was, obviously, a Roman Catholic ... so there was quite a bit of sizing up etc. going on! But eventually, a young teenage boy asked the monk why they took a vow of poverty ... in most monastic orders, monks do not own anything privately, though they have the basics such as a bed, their clothes, and so on.

The answer was quite unexpected. He said that the point was not about suffering, or self-deprivation, or anything like that. It was about giving them the space and the opportunity to say that what they did have was good - what they did have was enough. Whether it is physical, spiritual or mental, sometimes our lives get so crowded with things (which are often very good in and of themselves) that we lose sight of how good things are! An example: I was very glad recently to go away to Edinburgh for a holiday that I was definitely ready for! But as I looked around at that beautiful city, I found myself thinking just how lucky I am to look out of my kitchen window every day, to see the garden there, and the fields beyond. I wanted to get away ... but what lies within my reach every day, is just as much of a blessing.

So I encourage you this Lent to go ahead and give up something if that feels right ... or take up something charitable if that feels right. But either way, take some time to pause, breathe, and look at the goodness of what is in your life. Perhaps it is also a chance to take an even deeper breath, and grapple with some things that aren't so good ... and of course, there is never a moment when you can't (re)connect with God. Worship is always open to you at your Church, and I am always available to talk, to listen, to pray.

So I wish you a blessed Lent, a good preparation for the joy of Easter, and every blessing from the God who loves you.

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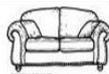
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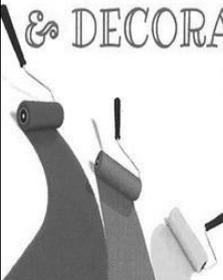
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The Garden in March



Birds: March is the main breeding season for garden birds. Leave out materials such as wool, fresh straw and animal hair to help them with their nest building.

Lawns: Rake to get rid of dead grass and moss. Apply a weed and feed late in the month

Patios: Scrub to get rid of dirt and moss which can make them slippery.

Pruning: Prune hardy fuchsias and finish pruning roses.

Perennials: Clean up perennials and finish any removal of dead material. It is not too late to split established plants. Plant new perennials. *Tip* small plants from garden centres establish quicker than larger ones and in a couple of years will be as big as and healthier than large, more expensive ones.

Tip 2 Look around the village – there are several stalls with people selling surplus plants at a fraction of the garden centre prices

Dahlias: Plant tubers in pots or trays in a frost free, well lit room or greenhouse – they don't need to be hot. They can also be sown from seed in a warm place from the middle of the month

Gladioli: plant 4 – 6 inches (10-15cm) deep *Tip* If you plant a few every couple of weeks until late June they will flower over a much longer period.

Annuals: Hardy annuals can be sown outside from now, half hardies in pots or trays protected from frost from the middle of the month – watch the weather forecasts we can have some very strange weather in March. On warm days ventilate the greenhouse.

Vegetables: *Tip* most packets of seeds contain far more than you need. If kept cool and dry, and resealed most seeds will remain viable for several years (not parsnips)

Tip 2 If you sow 100 lettuce seeds at once they will all need pricking out at once, and all be ready over a 3-4 week period – sow a few at 2 week intervals.

Tip 3 The gardening club annual plant sale will be back in May, read Contact next month for more details.

Begin planting onion sets and shallots once the soil is workable. Plant in rows with the tops just showing. Rows far enough apart to comfortably stand to weed, onion sets 2-4 inches (5-10cm) apart, shallots 6-8 inches (15-20 cm) apart.

Sow peppers and chillies on a warm windowsill or in a heated greenhouse.

Sow under glass without heat: brussels sprouts, cabbage, cauliflowers, leeks, peas and tomatoes (late March).

Sow outdoors (when ground is not frozen or waterlogged): carrots radishes

Plant early potatoes

Harvest whatever is ready – remember when the weather warms up many of the overwintered crops like kale and leeks will flower and become only good as compost.

Pots and Tubs

If you have an established pot of shrubs now is a good time to scrape away as much loose compost from the top as will come away easily, and replace with new compost mixed with slow release fertiliser

If you are choosing a new container make sure it has a good sized drainage hole.

Use good quality compost – that is all your plants will have to grow in this year – they can't spread out there roots to find food and water as they would in the ground

Fill and plant up the tub where you want it to grow – the pot is probably quite heavy and so is the compost! If you are using a plastic pot use a soil based (John Innes) compost to stop it blowing over.

Remember the 7 inch rule (an inch of water will soak 7 inches of compost), so leave a gap at the top for watering. The 2 ways to make your plants struggle and under-perform or even die are too much water and not enough water. Filling your container with water once a week and letting it drain is better than a sprinkling daily

If planting for summer don't be tempted to overfill – small annual plants want to grow fast.



March is a little early for annuals, but you can start them inside and plant them into the tubs later.

The last few summers petunias and lobelia have struggled with the heat whereas begonias have done extremely well – you can plant corms in pots now to plant out in May, or buy ready grown plants from May onwards.

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Christmas Tree Festival

St Peter & St Paul's Church is pleased to announce that once again we will be holding a Christmas Tree Festival of Light this December in our beautiful church. It will be something for everyone to look forward to, both in the village & beyond.

We would love local schools, clubs, groups, shops & businesses etc. to take part in this event by decorating their own tree. As before, each contributor will need to bring a tree, decorations & battery operated lights (there are not enough power points in & around the church). There is, however, plenty of room for lots of trees.

▲ The church will be open for decorating the trees only on Wednesday, 7th December from 5pm, Thursday, 8th December between 9.30am - 8pm & Friday, 9th December between 9am - 12.30pm.

The Church will be open for visitors on the 9th, 10th and 11th December and again on the 15th, 16th, 17th and 18th December.

Please contact the churchwardens, Dorothy or Susan if you would like to participate. Alternatively please email harlingchurch@gmail.com. We have several participants already on our list, so please don't leave it too late to get in touch.



Gardening Club

We had a fascinating talk about the history and renovation of Eastfield House, East Harling in February. Thank you Justin and Rebecca.

March meeting is the AGM and social get together with wine and nibbles.

We have a full calendar for the coming year with trips and talks – watch contact for more details each month
A few tasters to wet your appetites :-

We will see the return of the annual plant sale in May (you don't have to be a member to pick up a bargain). Also in May (Sunday 22nd) we have organised a trip to Holt and Stody Gardens to see the azaleas, camellias and water gardens.

We are also considering a trip to Sandringham flower show if there is enough interest (tell us at the March meeting so that we can gauge the viability)

EAST HARLING WI

East Harling WI had a fun bingo night in January, and luckily managed not to keep dropping our balls!! It was nice to welcome a couple of new ladies, and hopefully we haven't put them off from further visits.

Our March meeting is a chance to meet our new Vicar Simon, and to get to know more about him and what his journey has been. All are welcome, and it is lovely to meet new people. We meet on the third Tuesday of each month, in the Old School Hall at 7.30pm. Our March meeting will be on Tuesday 15th March.

THE FRIENDS OF EAST HARLING PARISH CHURCH

The Friends thank all those who attended our coffee morning on the 5th February.

We would like you to attend our forthcoming fundraising events:-

Our AGM is on the 2nd July 2022 in the Church.

26th November Christmas Fayre Old School Hall.

We are a registered charity who from 1981 have supported the Parochial Church Council by raising funds to preserve and maintain the fabric and furnishings of our historic Grade 1 listed church building, ensuring it will remain to be the centre of the community for future generations.

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The objective is to make drivers aware of the fact that speed limits exist and to encourage them to stick to them. If we record them sufficiently above the limit, Norfolk Constabulary will send them a letter explaining that speeding is a common cause of road collisions and affects the lives of many in our towns and villages. At this stage no further direct action is taken, but they do use the information gathered to conduct police speed checks in and around the village, which may lead to further proceedings. If a driver is noted a second time the car's number is passed to the Road Policing Officers, who may look out for it anywhere.



Our current team are obviously a few years older than they were when they started out. One or two are thinking of giving up, as eyesight fades and arthritis takes hold! It would be very nice to recruit some new blood. At the moment, our volunteers do a session every two or three weeks. If we had a few more we could either run sessions more frequently, covering more sites in the village, or individuals would not have to turn out so often.

Hi-viz jackets are provided and training is done on site, by existing members.



We are fairly sure that the numbers speeding in some parts of the village have reduced significantly, particularly in the early busy period, where we are obliged to concentrate. We are often asked why we don't monitor such and such site "where everybody speeds". The answer is that we only have a few volunteers and the Constabulary decide where we can operate, safely and effectively. Oddly, a good session would record no speeders. That feels a bit strange, but we are not out to catch them!

Volunteers obviously need sufficiently good eyesight to read a number plate and sound short term memory if anyone is interested, please contact Tony Long, East Harling Coordinator: email- tony@thefamilylong.com or by phone on 01953717191

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UPDATE ON HARLING CHURCH ROOF REPAIRS AND ROOF FUND APPEAL

Since our last report in November of 2020 the permissions necessary to do work on a Grade 1 listed building such as St Peter & St Paul's in East Harling, are in place. As we said in that November article, the inspection showed that areas of the lead had perished over the north and south isles and the egress of water over a long period of time has resulted in main roof timbers beginning to rot, and indeed there is one area where you can clearly see the sag in the north isle roof, the supporting timbers are so rotten you could push a screwdriver through them.



It is such an important building and is in dire need of some serious maintenance work so we have launched our **Roof Funding Appeal**. As you will appreciate, the Church is not only a monument to the past and to the history of the people of East Harling, it is also the home of a lively and loving community of faith, reaching out to everyone in the village and beyond. So that we can continue to be a place where God is worshipped, where children are blessed, couples proclaim their love for each other, and we can say farewell to those whom we have loved, the fabric of this beautiful building has to be maintained.

In 2021 the company who tendered for the works carried out some patch repairs on the roof lead which has for the time being prevented large amounts of water percolating the roof. However, this patching will not last for much longer. Any fund raising efforts throughout the pandemic have been impossible, and in addition many of the grant bodies supporting ancient buildings temporarily closed to any grant applicants. With the lifting of some of the more severe restrictions, and due to the dedication of our churchwardens and the help of the PCC we staged the Christmas Tree Festival this last December which has raised a very useful sum. Now that the

Covid 19 restrictions are being lifted, we can look again at how we make the massive fund raising effort so we can commence the works.

The roof fund now stands at around the £21,000 mark, which is a great result, but well short of the £250,000 we need.

In order to preserve this beautiful building a huge effort at fund raising is required, through grant aid bodies, raising funds through events of all kinds, and seeking funding from businesses. By giving to our campaign to repair the roof, either through your own talents and time, or by funds, you're not just safeguarding a landmark: you are providing for future generations to encounter the beautiful and transcendent right here in this place.

We would be grateful for any volunteers to come forward, who would be interested in assisting with this effort in whatever way their talents and interests lie. Our finance committee is looking for assistance with this **PLEASE WOULD YOU CONTACT** either the Editor, sue.wall@uwclub.net, or our treasurer **PAUL** by email to clarksonhouse@gmail.com – or phone 01953 718222.



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LARLING NEWS

Beware! Leylandii!

For those recently attending graves at St. Ethelbert's Church, Larling, you probably came away shocked, surprised, puzzled or might just have thought "something is a bit different about here".

Yes, the well-established boundary hedge has disappeared. Planted in the 70s to mark a newly consecrated graveyard extension, the 100ft x 30ft x 15ft (very tall and wide!) had, as many a leylandii hedge up and down the country, grown out of control. To cut conifer back is just not effective as it does not re-grow. With the outer evergreen branches gone it becomes just stark brown unattractive sticks. It had become so wide and tall that the roots and branches were encroaching on the first row of graves. A PCC decision was made that it had to go.

Felling work was completed by two sturdy fellows and an old age pensioner, and thankfully no damage to gravestones occurred. Stone and root picking will take place soon, the soil tilled in the summer and in the autumn a new deciduous hedge, with a variety of wildlife friendly plants, will replace the old hedge.

There is now a newly printed run of "The Little Book of Larling" costing £2.50. Phone 01953 717254 for a copy. Booklets are also available in Larling Church which is opened daily.

Rachael would, very belatedly, like to thank all the villagers for their generosity to the door-to-door remembrance poppy appeal in November. The grand total of £228.99 was raised.

Dudley Stammers



RAMBLINGS FROM BRETENHAM

Firstly, a big thank you to everyone who came along to the Benefice service held here at St. Andrews, Church at the end of January. It was lovely to see so many people in the Church celebrating Candlemas and sharing fellowship and friendship. Most of the parishes which form the benefice were represented and I am delighted that we ran out of the celebratory candles which we all lit towards the end of the service.

As the Spring approaches and the days begin to lengthen, the much loved, brightly coloured daffodils are beginning to peep over the wall close to the lych-gate entrance. The days and weeks ahead will see many more yellow blooms which will be enhancing the delightful Church setting and hopefully, they will be followed by the hyacinths, unless the pheasants and squirrels have been raiding the bulbs over the winter months!! Fingers crossed, we will have to wait and see.

Life on the farm has seen the new arable year commence. The drilling of some of the fields of spring barley has taken place, the sugar beet harvest is nearly at an end and the date for the suspension of deliveries has been circulated meaning that it will not be too long before the sugar beet plant in Bury St Edmunds stops slicing and processing and when travelling you will probably see less dirty lorries on the road. Already the orders for the seed for drilling the crop for next season have been submitted to the seed manufacturers, the delivery dates confirmed with the drilling dates firmly in minds for the middle of March, subject of course to the weather - the main topic of conversation for any rural community!!

Regular services are resuming here at the Church at 11.00 am on the Fourth Sunday of the month and we look forward to welcoming visitors and anyone who would like to join us as we begin to prepare for the season of Lent, a time of religious observance in the Christian liturgical calendar or perhaps for others an alternative thought - Let us Enjoy Nature Together -respect animals and wildlife, make sure that the countryside is an area to be enjoyed.

Remember to keep a safe distance from one another lets us look forward to the changes in the Covid 19 regulations and the warmer weather and relaxed days ahead.

Take care & all good wishes.

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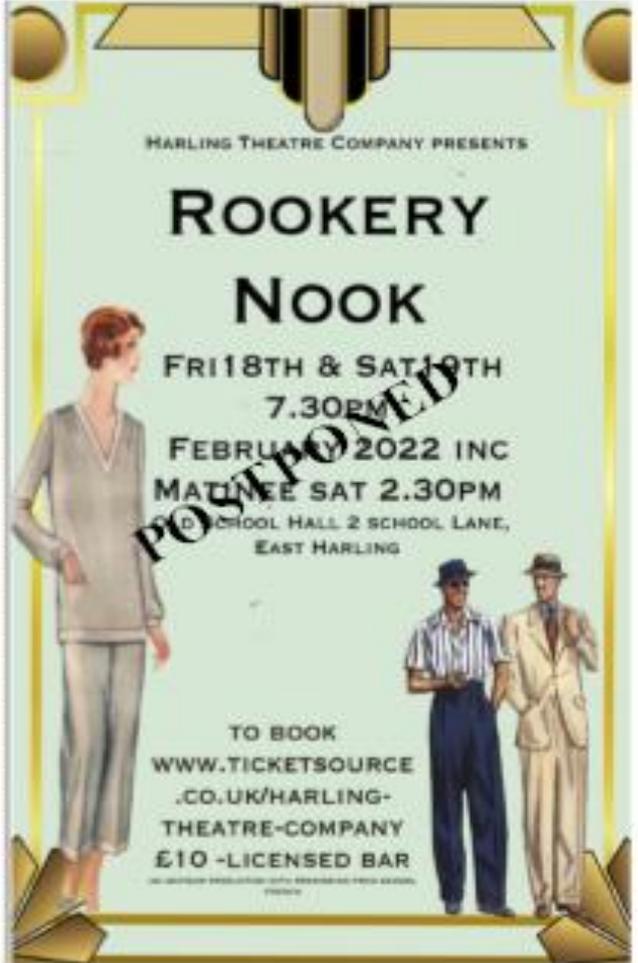
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MARCH 2022

- 1st E H Film Club OSH 7.15 for 7.30pm
2nd OSH Coffee Morning 10-12noon
4th ~~Bridgham~~ Village Hall Friday Social 8-11pm
5th E H Church Community Café 10-12 noon
8th E H Gardening Club OSH 7.0pm
9th Bridgham Village Hall Wed Social 11-1pm
12th ~~Bridgham~~ Village Hall Sat Social 8-11pm
15th E H WI OSH 7.30pm
16th OSH Pie Lunch 12 for 12.30pm
18th ~~Bridgham~~ Village Hall Friday Social 8-11pm
22nd E H Parish Council OSH 7.30pm
23rd Bridgham Village Hall Wed Social 11-1pm
26th Bridgham Church Coffee Morning 10-12noon
26th ~~Bridgham~~ Village Hall Sat Social 8-11pm

APRIL 2022

- 1st ~~Bridgham~~ Village Hall Friday Social 8-11pm
2nd E H Church Community Café 10-12 noon
5th E H Film Club OSH 7.15 for 7.30pm
9th ~~Bridgham~~ Village Hall Sat Social 8-11pm
12th E H Gardening Club OSH 7.00 pm
13th OSH Coffee Morning 10-12 noon
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15th Car Treasure Hunt - Cricket Club EHSSC
19th EH WI OSH 7.30pm
23rd ~~Bridgham~~ Church coffee morning venue TBA
23rd ~~Bridgham~~ Village Hall Sat Social 8-11pm
26th E H Parish Council OSH 7.30pm
27th OSH Cottage Pie Lunch 12 for 12.30pm
27th ~~Bridgham~~ Village Hall Wed Social 11-1pm
29th ~~Bridgham~~ Village Hall Friday Social 8-11pm

MAY 2022

- 3rd E H Film Club OSH 7.15 for 7.30pm
6th Harling Parish Council Freedom of the Parish Awards ceremony
7th NO Church coffee Morning- come to the Swing Band Celebration at 7pm see poster opposite!!
11th OSH Coffee Morning 10-12noon and AGM
21st ~~Pulham~~ Orchestra concert EH Church 7.00pm
27th - 29th May National Bowls Event Harling Bowls Club
25th OSH BBQ Lunch 12 for 12.30pm

JUNE 2022

- 2nd Village ~~Jubilee~~ Party on the Rec from 5pm and Beacon Lighting
3rd OSH Candle lit Supper in celebration of the Queen's ~~Jubilee~~
4th Afternoon Tea to celebrate the Jubilee on Derby Day EH Church
17/18th Harling Theatre Co present Rookery Nook

JULY 2022

- 3rd OSH Village Fete on the Poplars

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