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## VILLAGE LIFE MONTH BY MONTH

Grundisburgh has its own calendar for 2007 with work by three local artists. The brainchild of poet Chris Grahn, each month focuses on a village personality, with a poem written by Chris and a painting by either Joy Pirkle or Reg Snook. There are also listings of events.

It was launched at a special evening in St Mary's Church in June when each poem was read by a different villager, interspersed with music. Copies were first made available at the village show. More information on page 12.



### Fruitful village show

Above: The home grown exhibits at Grundisburgh Village Show were much admired by judges and visitors.

Left: The Steve Roberts Cup for the best photo in show was presented by his daughter Hannah to Emily Marshall, watched by Sally Doherty and Iain Langdon.

More results and photos inside.

Reg Snook and Chris Turner (right) are among the artists featured on page 12. Both base much of their work on the world of nature. The poster was to promote Reg's recent exhibition of paintings. Chris is holding an exhibition of his photographs at the end of July in Grundisburgh Village Hall.



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# News Diary

## JULY

Saturday 29th

**Car Boot Sale** G'burgh  
Football Club GPF 8am-1pm.  
Contact 735681.

**'Mystical Magic'** photograph  
exhibition by Chris Turner  
GVH 12.30-7.30pm.

Sunday 30th

**'Mystical Magic'** photograph  
exhibition by Chris Turner  
GVH 12.30-7.30pm.

## AUGUST

Thursday 3rd

**Tea Party** Otley Friendship  
Club OH 2.30pm. Contact  
890447.

Saturday 5th

**Hasketon Village Fete &  
Flower Festival** The  
Green/Church 2pm. Contact  
01934 388970.

Sunday 6th

**Flower Festival** Hasketon  
Church 11am-4.30pm. Contact  
01394 382208.

Tuesday 8th

**Grundisburgh Bowls Club v  
Badingham** 6.45pm. Contact  
738326.

Thursday 10th

**13+ youth night meeting**  
GVH 7pm. Contact 738831.

Sunday 13th

**Walkers' visit to Sycamore  
Farm Swilland** 2.30pm (meet  
on G'burgh Green 1.30pm.  
Contact 738219.

**Summer Lunch** iao Swilland  
Church Berghersh Place  
Witnesham 12.30-3.30pm.  
Contact 785726/785716.

Thursday 17th

**Coach Outing to Clacton**  
Otley Friendship Club 10am.  
Contact 890856.

Thursday 24th

**Committee Tea - open to  
visitors** Golden Club GVH  
2.30pm. Contact 735650.

Saturday 26th

**Tug-of-War Festival and  
BBQ** Hasketon VG 2pm.  
Contact 01394 388970.

Sunday 27th

**Otley Hall Open Day** 2-6pm.  
Contact 890264.

**Moon Fest** Moon &  
Mushroom Swilland iao St  
Elizabeth Hospice 12noon.  
Contact 785320.

**Organ Concert** G'burgh  
Church 5pm. Contact 254132.

Monday 28th

**Fun Day & Car Boot Sale**  
G'burgh Football Club GPF  
2-5pm. Contact 735681.

## SEPTEMBER

Saturday 2nd

**G'burgh Church Fete** 1pm  
The Green. Contact 735775.

Thursday 7th

**'Maritime Ipswich'** Otley  
Friendship Club OVH 2.30pm.  
Contact 890447.

Friday 8th

**Barn Dance** Hasketon VH  
7.15pm. Contact 01394  
388970.

Monday 11th

**Grundisburgh Parish  
Council Meeting** Culpho  
Church 7.30pm. Contact  
735541.

Saturday 16th

**Clopton Country Fayre**  
Clopton VH 1pm. Contact  
735495.

**Learn to Salsa** (expert  
tuition) Playford PH 8-10pm.  
Contact 735444.

Tuesday 19th

**'Ringing in the Changes - A  
potted history of the  
telephone'** G'burgh Local  
History Society GPR 7.45pm.  
Contact 738918.

Thursday 21st

**'Wicked Words'** Bealings W.I.  
BVH 2.30pm. Contact  
623985.

**Coach Outing to Lowestoft**  
Otley Friendship Club 10am.  
Contact 890856.

**Clopton Parish Council  
Meeting** Clopton VH 7.30pm.  
Contact 830398.

**Quiet Day** Otley Hall. Contact  
890264.

Friday 22nd

**Curry & Quiz Night** iao  
Bealings PF BVH. Contact  
614855.

**AGM** G'burgh Burgh &  
Culpho Horticultural Society  
GPR 8pm. Contact 738267.

Thursday 28th

**Inaugural meeting of  
G'burgh Energy Group** GPR  
8pm. Contact 735641.

**Golden Club Mystery Tour.**  
Contact 735650.

Friday 29th

**FOGS Race Night** G'burgh  
School. Contact 738632.

## OCTOBER

Monday 2nd

**Burgh Parish Meeting** BPR  
(next to church) 8pm. Contact  
735727.

Tuesday 3rd

**Meeting to discuss 'Art Club  
for Grundisburgh'** GPR  
7.30pm. Contact 735541.

Thursday 5th

**Mark Murphy** from BBC  
Radio Suffolk Playford PH  
8pm. Book sale prior to talk.  
Contact 735444.

Saturday 7th

**Table Top Sale** Angela  
Cobbold Hall Little Bealings  
9am-12noon. Contact 620213.

**Quiet Day** Otley Hall. Contact  
890264.

Friday 13th

**Quiz Night** Hasketon VH  
7.15pm. Contact 01394  
388970.

Saturday 14th

**FOGS Nearly New Sale**  
G'burgh School 10-11.30am.  
Contact 735113/735774.

Tuesday 17th

**Visit to Suffolk Records  
Office** G'burgh Local History  
Society. Contact 738918.

Thursday 19th

**FOGS clothes, shoes and  
textiles collection** G'burgh  
School 3pm. Contact 735151.

**Volcanoes and Earthquakes**  
Bealings W.I. BVH 7.30pm.  
Contact 623985.

Thursday 26th

**Beatle Drive** Golden Club  
GVH 2.30pm. Contact  
735650.

## NOVEMBER

Friday 3rd

**FOGS Fireworks Night**  
G'burgh School 6-7pm.  
Contact 735929.

Saturday 4th

**Table Top Sale** Angela  
Cobbold Hall Little Bealings  
9am-12noon. Contact 620213.

Friday 10th

**Indian Photographic Slide  
Show** Hasketon VH 7.15pm.  
Contact 01394 388970.

Saturday 11th

**Coffee Morning** Golden Club  
GPR. Contact 735650.

Monday 13th

**Grundisburgh Parish  
Council Meeting** GPR  
7.30pm. Contact 735541.

Thursday 16th

**Clopton Parish Council  
Meeting** Clopton VH 7.30pm.  
Contact 830398.

Saturday 18th

**AGM & 'The Witchfinder  
General'** G'burgh Local  
History Society GPR 7.45pm.  
Contact 738918.

**Casino, Race Night &  
Auction of Promises** iao  
Bealings PF. Contact 614855.

Sunday 19th

**Hasketon Charity Fair**  
Hasketon VH 2.30pm. Contact  
01394 383106.

## DECEMBER

Friday 1st

**Ladies' Shopping Evening**  
G'burgh School. Contact  
735113.

Saturday 2nd

**Table Top Sale** Angela  
Cobbold Hall Little Bealings  
9am-12noon. Contact 620213.

Friday 8th

**Burgh Nativity Festival - An  
Exhibition of Cribbs St.  
Botolph's Church Burgh**  
10am-4pm. Contact 735183.

Saturday 9th

**FOGS Christmas Fair**  
G'burgh School 11.30am-  
1.30pm. Contact 738632.

**Scouts Xmas Coffee  
Morning** GPR 10am. Contact  
735352.

**FOGS Christmas Party**  
G'burgh School. Contact  
738907.

**Burgh Nativity Festival - as  
Friday.**

Sunday 10th

**Burgh Nativity Festival - as  
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*Key for abbreviations:*

*P/VH - Parish/Village hall*

*PF - Playing field*

*PR - Parish rooms*

*All codes 01473 unless given  
otherwise. Entries must be  
supplied in writing and on a  
separate sheet to editorial.*



# What's On

## Grundisburgh Fete moves to The Green

It's all change this year for Grundisburgh's church fete. The date is 2 September, kicking off at the new time of 1pm. Our new venue is The Green as Jon Ockenden, who has been so good to us for many years, is moving from Grundisburgh House.

This year ploughman's lunches will be on sale from 1pm, which is the reason for the earlier start. However, there will be the regular mix of games, raffle, jumble, stalls and tantalising teas and proceeds are for St Mary's.

We have had some kind offers of help and are looking for lots more. Also, we would welcome any fresh ideas to help make it an even more enjoyable afternoon for all the family.

*Robert and Pat Fletcher 01473 735775*

## Clopton Country Fayre

This year's Country Fayre will be held at Clopton village hall on Saturday 16 September. Starting at 2pm, it is in aid of the church, the village hall and the East Anglian Air Ambulance.

A full programme of events in the ring has already been arranged. The first prize in the grand draw will be a gas fired BBQ, the second a Bosch pressure washer, with numerous other quality prizes. There is still room for stallholders to reserve spaces to advertise and sell their products.

*Roy Compton, 01473 735495*

## Hasketon Fete

At the Crossroads Concert in July, Frances of The Strolling Singers recited a wonderful piece about the trials and tribulations of organising a village fete - highly amusing. After the applause had died down, I could not resist calling out "The Hasketon Village Fete is

on Saturday 5th August", and a titter of laughter ran through the audience. We hope that, like the concert audience, you will come to Hasketon at 2pm to enjoy a happy afternoon at our typical village fete, on The Green!

*Richard Smith, 01394 388970*

## Moon Fest at the Moon & Mushroom

The Moon and Mushroom in Swilland will be holding its annual Moon Fest event on 27 August in aid of St Elizabeth Hospice.

As part of the day more than 400 balloons will be released, representing one for every patient cared for at the Hospice inpatient unit over the past year. A prize will be awarded to the finder as well as the buyer of the balloon that travels the longest distance.

The day will also feature football tournaments, a tug-of-war, kite flying and three-legged races. The event starts at 12 noon. All proceeds to the Hospice.

## Salsa for Beginners

Learn to Salsa at Playford Parish Hall! On Saturday 16 September from 8pm to 10pm there will be expert, patient tuition from Amelia Gilardi and Robert Fisher from the Lait School of Dancing. More women than men - no problem - but even reluctant dancers can enjoy this relaxed and fun evening. Entry is £5 and includes soft drinks; dancers can bring their own wine or beer. The size of the hall means numbers are limited, so book early by ringing 01473 735444 or 01473 621998.

*Anne Day*

## Grundisburgh walking group goes wild

Grundisburgh walkers have been invited to visit Sycamore Farm near Swilland on Sunday 13 August. This



Swilland Church's summer lunch is to be held on 13 August at Berghersh Place, Witlesham (etched above). It takes place from 12.30 to 3.30pm, and the cost is £10 for adults and £5 for children under the age of 10. A free drink is included in the price. All proceeds are in aid of Swilland Church. Unfenced ponds and a working farm mean that children must be supervised at all times.

Tickets are available from Brian Williams (01473 785726), Gill Reidy (01473 785716) and Ann Kent (01473 785262).

unique former farm is owned by keen naturalist John Digby whose help and knowledge have been invaluable at the village's Millennium Meadow.

John runs his farmland as a nature reserve with otters and kingfishers and much more.

Anyone who would like to do the 45 minute walk there should meet on The Green at 1.30pm. Those preferring to drive, can meet at the farm (on the road from Bonds Corner to Ipswich) at 2.20pm. There will be a guided tour of the farm starting at 2.30pm, which should prove fascinating.

The parish council organises walks each month, usually on the second Sunday. Notices are posted on The Green.

*Sally Grahn., 01473 738219*

## GRUNDISBURGH DINING CLUB

The Grundisburgh Dining Club held its June dinner at the Boot, Freston where diners enjoyed an evening of good food and fellowship. The date for the next dinner is Saturday 12 August when we shall be at the Queens Head, Dennington, which is north of Framlingham.

Due to the popularity of this venue places should be reserved by calling Brian and Mary Robinson by Tuesday 8 August on 01473 735719. The time is 7.30pm for 8pm.

*Roy Compton, 01473 735495*

## Table top sales at Little Bealings

The table top sales start up again this autumn in the Angela Cobbold Hall, Little Bealings. They take place from 9am to 12 noon on the first Saturday of each month, starting on 7 October. Call me to book a table. The cost is £5 per session. Proceeds to All Saints Church and the hall refurbishment fund.

*Vicki Carr, 01473 620213*

## Burgh Nativity Festival

"Christmas comes earlier every year" - at least Burgh Church is promoting its exhibition of Nativity Cribs on 8 to 10 December early in the hope that anyone willing to lend a crib for display will come forward in good time.

In the ancient historic setting of Burgh Church, between 10am and 4pm over the weekend of 8 to 10 December, there will be cribs ancient and modern, made from wood, clay, wool, cloth and metal from every corner of the globe, by craftsmen and women old and young. Refreshments will be served.

The parish is seeking to gather as many cribs as possible, and anyone willing to offer one for exhibiting should contact The Rev'd Clare Sanders on 01473 735183. Any group wanting to visit the exhibition can also contact her.

## News Tribute

Doris Dunnett

Doris Dunnett, who was one of the great ladies of Grundisburgh, died on 28 June aged 85. For many years she worked at Grundisburgh Hall for the present Lord Cranworth's grandparents, starting as a kitchen maid, and she married Joe, the head gardener there.

The couple lived in Park Road for many years. Rita and Merilda were born at home, with the district nurse arriving by bicycle, and later Doris would push the children by pram to get to Woodbridge.



Doris with the roses she loved which were tended by her husband Joe.

Doris was involved in many aspects of village life over the years including amateur dramatics, the WI, Mother's Union, the Luncheon Club, the Chapel - where she so enjoyed the sing-a-long hymns. She would always put cooking entries into the Flower Show, while Joe would be entering vegetables and flowers from his garden.

She stayed on in Park Road after Joe's death in 1990 until ill health, particularly her



Photos Wendy Witt

diabetes, forced her to move into residential care - first Glebe House in Woodbridge and then Lehman House in Wickham Market, where she made many friends.

A few months before her death Doris had to move to the Leopold Nursing Home in Felixstowe, where nurses were very kind and comforting to her - and to her daughters.

The address at her funeral was given by Colin Grimwood who had often visited her in the homes. The service was conducted by Rev'd Clare Sanders at St Mary's..

As one of the people interviewed for the village's millennium oral history project we featured many of Doris Dunnett's memories of life in Grundisburgh in The News issue 165, October 2001. A copy of this article can be seen in the post office. The CD in which she features is on sale there.

*Nicola Hobbs, with extra information kindly provided by Rita Dunnett*



**First service for animals and their owners outside St Mary's Church, Grundisburgh, on a hot Sunday morning in June**



## Grundisburgh Baptist Chapel

The chapel was packed out for our recent Creation evening. Paul Garner used evidence from the origin of languages, genetics and fossils to show us how the Bible's account of the origin of man fitted better than that of evolutionary theory. If you would like a tape of his talk we can supply you with a copy for the cost of the tape. We warmly invite everyone to join us for our forthcoming events:

Open-air meeting on Grundisburgh Green, 27 August at 3pm.

Afternoon tea, 29 August

2 to 3.30pm, for a time to chat with a free cuppa and refreshments.

Harvest Thanksgiving,

24 September at 10.45am and 6.30pm.

We are also planning a topical evening on 10 September at 6.30pm, with a guest speaker dealing with a subject of vital relevance. More details to be circulated later.

If anyone would like to talk to me about spiritual questions or problems, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

*Colin Grimwood, 738836/56*

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# SHOWING OFF UNDER CANVAS

The Village Show mounted by Grundisburgh Burgh & Culpho Horticultural Society was held in glorious sunshine on 15 July. The number of entries to the classes in the marquee was up by a quarter, and even more encouraging was the fact that many were from people who had never entered the show before.

The trophies were presented by Colin Grimwood of the Baptist Chapel who organises the children's races at the show (which this year included a very popular tug of war). The cup winners were:

*Best entry in show: Sally Geeve (a decorated plate)*

*Most points in 'beginners' classes: (joint) Helen Bishop, Libby Cooper, Matt Lee and Marian Penson*

*Best decorative arrangement of garden flowers: Pat Fletcher*

*Best decorative arrangement of sweet peas: Pat Fletcher*

*Most points in flower arranging classes: Pat Fletcher*

*One specimen rose: Victoria Pegram*

*Three HT roses: Michael Dickinson*

*Six pansies: John Farrow*

*Most points in flower, fruit and vegetable classes: David Warren*

*Three globe beetroot: John Farrow*

*Most points in preserves classes: Madge Nicholas*

*Most points in baking classes: Brenda Garrett*

*Most points in handicraft classes: Pat Polley*

*Most points in over 60s classes: Sally Doherty.*

*Best photograph in show: Emily Marshall (picture of a goat).*

*Children - under 5: Alice Cox; 5 to 7: Oliver Cox; 8 to 11: Tessa Bailey; 12 to 15: Ben Newman.*

*Fancy dress: Oliver Cox.*

*Best picture by a 4 year old: Aimee Bebbington.*

Many village organisations



## Another celebration for Ablitt's Meadow

Grundisburgh's affordable housing development was in the spotlight again in July with another opening celebration now that all 24 of the homes are completed.

The homes at Ablitt's Meadow are for people with strong local links and include shared ownership and rental properties. They were developed by the Rural Housing Trust, working closely with the parish and district councils.

HRH The Princess Royal, who is president of the trust,

attended the opening of the first phase last year. This time it was the Rt Rev Richard Lewis, Bishop of St Edmundsbury, who led the toast. It was thanks to the church being willing to sell the site that enabled the much needed homes to be built.

Photos: Ablitt's Meadow's youngest resident, month old Jessica Warren with her mother Helen, Helen Gissings, and Mel and Graham Milburne.

The Bishop raises his glass of apple juice

Photos by Wendy Witt



and charities ran stalls to raise money on their own behalf. The society benefitted from the car boot and the cake stall, and the teas served in the pavilion, and particularly from the successful dance that evening run by the Garretts.

Photos from the show, and the open gardens event which helps to fund it, are featured on the centre pages.

The Village Show next year will be on 14 July. We will be hoping for even more entries to fill the marquee, from beyond the three villages as well as within. And we do welcome suggestions for how it can be made even better.

Nicola Hobbs, secretary, Grundisburgh Burgh & Culpho Horticultural Society  
01473 738267

Photos from the show are on front and centre pages.



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## GADS go for Emlyn Williams in the hall and three plays on The Green

Grundisburgh Amateur Dramatic Society's spring play was 'Beth' by Emlyn Williams. This was a hard play to put on, very verbose. With a consummate cast. Vicky Hart in the title role showed off the light richness of her singing voice. Ian Frost, Bettina Lambert, John Richards and Sandy Broom performed admirably.

Philip Ling, a newcomer to GADS, was utterly believable in his role as the disabled Uncle Powell. I was terrified his wheelchair would come flying off the stage. He gave a jovial, ranting, and occasionally melancholic performance. His and Madge Nicholas's Welsh accents were masterly. Her portrayal of aunt Madam was sublime. Delivering spoonerisms,



Top left: GADS players in 'Beth'. Below: Audience relaxing on The Green in the interval between the three short plays. Top right: Philip Ling and Kay Cockcroft in one of 'GADS on The Green' plays. Photos by Brian Robinson and Iain Langdon.

hamming it up and a chance to hear her lovely singing voice. Benjy the Butler, Peter Croft also making a GADS debut was a natural. Fantastic, a joy to watch.

Adam Kearney, not in the limelight this time, had his first go as producer, he did a fine job. Another most enjoyable evening

*Sheila Caryl*

On a hot evening on 23 July GADS mounted three short plays to an enthusiastic

audience on The Green. These included 'Bumbly Boo' specially written for children by Nikki Brown which was first performed at The Village Show.

## WI members enjoy good food

On a fine June summer evening, 18 Grundisburgh, Burgh and Culpho WI members and two husbands met at The Fountain in Tuddenham and enjoyed a delicious meal.

Seven members attended the group meeting hosted by Woodbridge WI in June, and a sumptuous buffet supper awaited us. Alan Smith entertained us with a demonstration of flower

arranging accompanied by many amusing quips! A well organised evening for which Woodbridge WI are to be complimented.

In July Pauline and Tom Coomber arranged a barbeque in their pretty garden, and Tom made a great job of cooking the very tasty food. Pat Polley gave a report on the national meeting at Cardiff with her usual humour. Jill Johnson prepared a rather teasing quiz to complete the entertainment. Altogether a very pleasant evening.

*Peggy Gandy*

## Telephone history

The first meeting after Grundisburgh Local History Society's summer break promises something a bit different. On 19 September Kevin Dodman, a telephone developer with BT, will take us on what he describes as a "humorous ramble" through the development of telephones and exchanges from 1876 onwards.

The scale of BT operations in Martlesham has had a significant impact on the locality, and telecommunications in general play a huge part in daily life. Meetings are in the parish rooms, starting at 7.45pm. The fee for non members is £2.

*Roger Anderson, 01473 738918*



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## ENERGY GROUP GETS GOING

Energy and composting were the key themes of the Grundisburgh Environment Group (GrEG) stand at the village show.

GrEG was formed in the wake of the Parish Plan to promote aspects of the environment not already covered by the Parish Council's Footpaths and Conservation Sub-Committee.

At GrEG's request the Energy Saving Trust brought along a small wind turbine and two types of solar panel: one which creates electricity and one which heats water. These attracted an unending succession of visitors interested in learning more about alternative energy. The solar panel gave no doubt to the claim that, in summer months, they can provide all the hot water a family needs - as well as make Suzanne's cup of coffee!

With this hot weather GrEG was offering another energy solution. Good insulation is as much about keeping houses cool in summer as keeping them cosy in winter. The recommended thickness for loft insulation is 12 ins (290 mm), which is much more than the 4ins (100 mm) so many of us have.

Application forms for grant aid of up to 100% were enclosed in the last issue of The News, but if you want another one please contact

GrEG Secretary Dee Hibble. Grants are also available for households to instal photovoltaic solar panels to generate electricity, or alternatively a small wind turbine.

Details of grants and alternative energy devices can be obtained from the Energy Saving Trust (0800 512012).

So why all this grant aid? Well, the driver is climate change. When we burn gas or oil or use electricity generated using fossil fuels, we are causing more of the greenhouse gas carbon dioxide to be put into the atmosphere. That in turn leads to the change in climate and extreme weather.

We badly need to reverse the upward trend in greenhouse gas. One way is being more efficient in the way we use energy in our homes. Another is in the things we purchase. Buying local produce has the double bonus of needing less fuel to transport it and supporting local people.

GrEG will be supporting local producers at its first formal meeting, to be held at 8 pm on Thursday 28 September in the parish rooms. Tom Jarrett will talk about the Suffolk wines produced at Shawsgate Vineyard and Grange Farm Shop will provide Suffolk snacks to accompany the wine tasting. There will also be a

chance to discover more about GrEG and its activities in the future.

For more information contact Dee Hibble (g.hibble1@btinternet.com 01473 735641).

## Wanted - information to find burglars

Two burglaries have taken place in Gurdon Road recently: one in a garage and the other in a house. Both offences took place sometime between Friday 7 July (evening time) and the morning of Saturday 8th.

The house was entered via an open downstairs window (a warning for everyone to secure their premises at all times) whilst the occupants were sleeping upstairs. The offender entered ground floor rooms and stole items.

The second offence was in an insecure garage when a push bike was stolen.

We know that around 0015 hrs two adults were walking in Gurdon Road from the direction of the main road. Please can they contact me as they may have seen other people in the area.

We also know that a person (gender unknown) was seen kicking a football against a wall on the green area of Gurdon Road at around 0100 hours. Did they see

anyone around?

Also would the kind lady who found a Royal blue book bag in her hedge contact me. She telephoned Grundisburgh School with her details - and somewhere between them and the owner the telephone number has been taken down incorrectly - so the owner can't contact her.

*Pc 797 Victoria Gilmore  
Community Police Officer  
Woodbridge Police Station  
01473 383486*

## Call to business

The call has gone out to everyone living in Grundisburgh or Culpho who runs a business and to people living elsewhere who are trading in the villages. Details are wanted to include in a new Grundisburgh guide. This is to be relaunched and will also be available on line.

These should be sent to Louisa Davies, Folly Cottage, Grundisburgh, [louisaedavies@btinternet.com](mailto:louisaedavies@btinternet.com) and include a brief outline of the services being offered. "Making local people aware of the services can be beneficial to them as well as to the providers" says Louisa.

They are also invited to drop in to The Dog on the first Friday of each month, between 12.30 and 2pm, for a casual drink/lunch/get together.

## Yahoo to you!

All organisations in Grundisburgh have been asked to contribute to an internet group under a cost free service called Yahoo Groups. This will greatly improve communication in the village, and residents will be able to get information about what is going on.

Coordinator Martin Hough is happy to help groups with the signing up process: [martin.hough@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:martin.hough@tiscali.co.uk). The site can be found on <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/grundisburgh>.



Suzanne Lacey (right) from the Energy Saving Trust makes her coffee from water heated to near boiling point by the demonstration solar panel brought to the village show by the Grundisburgh Environment Group (GrEG).

Looking on are group secretary, Dee Hibble and treasurer Martin Hough (in hat).

## IVAN'S FISH & CHIPS

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## Grundisburgh Gleanings

### Some memories - and thanks - from 'Mrs G'

I would like to thank everyone involved in organising and attending the recent campfire to celebrate 50 years of continuous scouting and my retirement. Thank you for all the good wishes, cards and gifts I have received. It was impossible to reminisce on the night as someone would have been left out.

Over the years we have had girls from eight different villages and 11 different schools attending guides. So do you remember:-

*The Lambeth Walk, Carnival Float, Potholing at Glenbrook,*

*Abseiling, Archery, Bell Ringing, Swimming and McDonalds Chips, Sports. The Aircraft Weekends. Confectioner, Home Nurse and First Aid Badges, Treasure Hunts, The Big Gig.*

*Chelmsford Iceskating, High Diving, Lost Clothes, Hospital Visits, Bus went through McDonald's Drive Thru. Hikes Incident (Blindfold Jelly), with the Scouts to King Pin, to Charsfield with Safari Lunches.*

*Cooking Competitions Winning, when everyone's hands were raw with cold, when the wind blew the fires*

*from the grate. Representing Woodbridge Division at the County Finals at Boxford.*

*Camps William Bin, Camp Fires, the Sheep, we woke to frost on our beds, when the water came up out of the ground and soaked our beds, we got locked on the Battlements at Colchester Castle, built a rope bridge, Suffolk camps at Ickworth Moots and Wet Weekends.*

Enjoy your memories, as I will enjoy mine, and many thanks to all those who helped with the company and scouts to make these memories possible.

**If you use an advertiser you spotted in The News, please tell them where you saw it.**

### KEEPING MUM FOR CHARITY

Nine year old Daniel Stebbings raised almost £200 for the National Autistic Society through a sponsored silence. He managed to stay completely quiet throughout the day at Grundisburgh School, from 8.55am to 3.25pm.

Daniel was also involved in fund raising for the society at the village show. He organised guess how many sweets in a jar, guess his mum's nickname was she was young, throwing wet sponges at him and at his friend Will Wright, his dad, and occasionally at his sister Megan! He collected

just over £100 for these efforts.

The charity is very close to Daniel's heart as he is autistic himself. He says that when he is older he wants to help

children like himself and try to get other people to understand the behaviour of autistic children.

Daniel would like to thank everybody who sponsored him for the silence and also those who supported him at the village show. The next thing he would like to do is to sleep in a haunted castle to raise even more money!

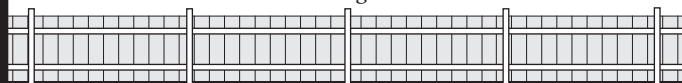


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Top right: Colin Grimwood presenting the top flower arranging cup to Pat Fletcher.

Top left: post judging viewing.

Right: Three year old Alice Cox, winner of the under five's cup:

Left: The band Landed entertaining show visitors.

Photos by Chris Turner, Wendy Witt and Ann Willetts.



## Scenes from the village show

Top left: The clown - alias Oliver Cox - winner of the overall fancy dress cup interviewed by compere Kate Adams.

Above left: Amy Adams who took part in the GADS play performed around the playing field.

Above centre: Photo taken by Emily Marshall of her pet goat won the best photo in show cup.

Above right: Judged best entry in show overall -

the decorated plate made by Sally Geeve, The News' consultant designer, for her father-in-law Bruce Hobbs.

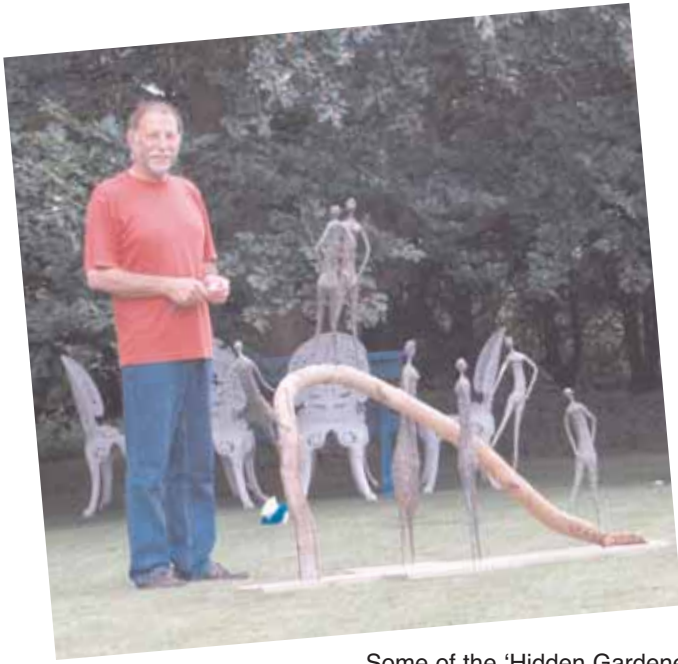
Below: The Grundisburgh & District News invited its helpers past and present to celebrate its 25th birthday at a reception in The News' tent.

Photos by Chris Turner, Wendy Witt and Ann Willetts





## Scenes from 'Hidden Gardens'



Some of the 'Hidden Gardeners' of Grundisburgh and Culpho who took part in the open gardens weekend in June. Clockwise from top right: Maggi Thompson of Rose Hill, Brenda and Richard Garrett of Post Mill Gardens, Nick and Amanda Deacon, who had only moved into their house by The Green a few weeks before, and sculptor Paul Bruce from Culpho who was also taking part in the open studios event that weekend. Photos: Chris Turner.



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# NEWS FROM THE LOCAL ART SCENE

## Chris Turner, photographer

It was local artist and wildlife expert Reg Snook who first aroused an interest in both photography and wild life in Chris Turner. This was only a year ago and now Chris is already holding his second photographic exhibition.

'Mystical Magic' will be held in Grundisburgh Village Hall over the weekend of 29 and 30 July and will be open from 12.30 to 7.30pm on the Saturday, 10.30am to 8pm on the Sunday.

Like Chris's first exhibition, which was held in the parish rooms at the end of May and included many beautiful shots of birds, plants and animals, it will be raising money for the Meningitis Trust. This is in memory of his brother Andrew who died of the illness two years ago.

The News asked Chris to cover Hidden Gardens and the Village Show for the paper - and some of his photos of these events are featured in the exhibition and this issue.

Chris was born in Grundisburgh and lives in Cranworth Close with his parents Trevor and Kathy. Now that he has just turned 16, he is hoping to get some work from the East Anglian, although his long term aim is to have his own studio to specialise in still life and portraits. The family would be interested to hear of any redundant building or room which Chris could use. They can be contacted on 01473 738016.

## Mary Bishop, artist

An exhibition of water colour paintings by Bredfield based artist Mary Bishop, titled 'Paint and Light' goes on display in the

Aldeburgh Gallery, 143, High Street, Aldeburgh on Thursday 31 August. Running until Wednesday 6 September, it will be open from 10am to 5pm, and also include photographs by Tony Hepworth.

Mary has lived in Bredfield for the past five years, drawing inspiration from the coastal landscape of shingle beaches, reedbeds, fields and hedges, including old boats, fishing huts and barns. The seasonal changes provide endless new subjects.

The paintings in the exhibition are primarily in water colour with a strong use of colour and sometimes the addition of ink.

Tony Hepworth is an award winning photographer. He is the nephew of the sculptress the late Barbara Hepworth, whose work is a focal point at Snape Maltings. Tony has a wide range of subjects and some of his more local pieces are included in this exhibition.

## Chris Grahn, poet

It was Grundisburgh based poet Chris Grahn who first had the idea for a village calendar. He has written the poems, which have been illustrated by Joy Pirkle and Reg Snook.

The full colour publication is



Chris and Sally Grahn selling the Grundisburgh calendar at the village show, with the help of Sue Harvey and granddaughter.

on sale in village shops, The Dog pub, Browsers Bookshop in Woodbridge, and by ringing 01473 738219. It costs £7.50 (with £2 from each sale going to the church).

## An art club for Grundisburgh?

When asked in the Grundisburgh & Culpho Parish Plan survey what new clubs/activities would they like to attend, 74 villagers said an art club. In response a meeting has been arranged in Grundisburgh Parish Rooms on Tuesday 3 October at 7.30pm for anyone interested in forming a club.

Paul Bruce, a Culpho artist, is willing to undertake classes for complete beginners and those more competent.



Self portrait by Reg Snook to promote his recent exhibition held in Grundisburgh entitled 'Second Nature' - as he says both art and bird life are second nature to him! It also features in the Grundisburgh calendar.

## ARTS DIRECTORY

Suffolk Coastal District Council is producing a directory of cultural activities, groups, facilities and services for the district which will be available on line and in booklet format from.

A questionnaire for those who want to sign up for a free listing must be returned by September 15. A copy is on the Council's website [www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk/yourfreetime/arts/directory](http://www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk/yourfreetime/arts/directory) or can be obtained by either emailing [community&economic@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk](mailto:community&economic@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk) or by calling 01394 444538.



Above: Mary Bishop in her Bredfield studio.

# Clopton Chat

## 'New Mexico' wins award

Two members of the newly-formed Woodbridge-based band, New Mexico, hail from Clopton. Singer Chandos (Tom Hemmings-Smith), 17, and guitarist, James Christensen, 21, form half of the band who recently won the Live Wire Unsigned competition. This was organised by the University of East Anglia to find new talent.

Entry was by a demo CD. The final five, out of more than 100, performed live on the

university's campus in Norwich. New Mexico earned particular praise for their technical ability and original songs. A day at a recording studio, a production package worth £100 and a support slot at the Norwich Arts Centre are their reward for winning a very tough music competition.

*Di Waters*

## CHURCH NEWS

After a wet weekend for the Flower Festival, we woke up again to rain on the day of the Strawberry Tea at Thamaniya. However, it turned out to be a lovely day, and

visitors enjoyed delicious home made cakes as well as strawberries and cream. There were books for sale as well as plants and gooseberries, and an excellent raffle. The final result was £251 for church funds. Our thanks are due, once again, to Doris Main and her family for the use of her lovely garden, and to all those who made cakes, gave prizes, or helped in any other way, and, of course, to all those who came.

Details of the Country Fayre on 16 September are on page three. Volunteers are wanted to assist with the cream teas and the BBQ etc and should contact Roy Compton on 735495 if they can help.

*Peggy Martin*

vacancy created some weeks ago when John Dawson left the council. Oliver brings a younger viewpoint into council discussions and the councillors were keen to welcome him into his new role.

Richard's resignation creates another vacancy and, unless a bye-election is requested, the advertisement will appear during August. Please contact me or any of the councillors if you are interested in joining the parish council.

A representative of the Village Hall Management Committee gave a report on the Clopton youth shelter project and advised they will be applying for planning permission.

A letter about the proposed changes to the B1078/1079 junction was reported. The parish council agreed to support the view that the proposed highway alterations should not be made.

It was brought to the attention of the parish council that a few problems with anti-social behaviour are continuing on Rouse Hall Estate. The council will be contacting the police and the housing association.

A parishioner raised the question of open storage at Debach Commercial Park and the parish council will undertake investigations as to the current position.

The next meeting of Clopton Parish Council will take place on Thursday 21 September at 7.30pm in the village hall. All welcome.

*Janet Clarke, parish clerk,  
01473 830398*

## Hasketon Highlights

Much to the relief and appreciation of young families, Hasketon Parish Council has had a post and rail fence erected around The Green so that children cannot play hide-and-seek below the bank of the road. Wire netting has been fixed to the inside of the posts to prevent anybody climbing over the top.

The parish council has also splashed out with a new goal which has already been much used.

There are several graves in the churchyard which are marked with just a mound of grass and we can find no record of who is buried there. As the PCC would like to have these graves flattened for mowing, we should be grateful for any identification so that we can approach the decedents.

Valerie Leech has looked after The Victory Hall, in one way or another, for 35 years. Now she and Neville have, sadly for us, decided to retire to Woodbridge and we say a big 'thank you' and wish them well. Her job of looking after the key has been taken on by Lyn Berwick who lives two doors along at 23 Tymmes Place. Heidi Hughes of Elmfield, Top Road, has kindly agreed to be booking secretary (01394 386297).

A bench in memory of Hazel Ruffles and her husband Raymond has recently been unveiled by the WI and her family. She was an ardent member for many years and they thought that a memorial near to the swings would be very appropriate for a person who loved her family.

The WI has also come up with the excellent idea of going out for a pub lunch once a month. Considering myself an honorary member (as I sometimes help put up the tables), I have enjoyed delicious visits to Swilland, Shottisham, Charsfield, Easton, Campsey Ash and Deddington.

Following the Holiday Club for children during the last week in July, future events in Hasketon include the Village Fete on 5 August (fingers crossed for a sunny day and for lots of visitors), a Tug-of-War festival on 26 August (please find and enter a team for £10, phone 01394 388970), and a Barn Dance on Friday 8 September at 7.15pm (£10 adults and £5 for under 16's), with 'Washday Miracles' (and caller).

Do come and join in these summer occasions at Hasketon.

*Richard L. Smith.*

## CHANGES ON THE PARISH COUNCIL

Clopton Parish Council was sad to receive the resignation of Richard Taylor who has been a member of the council for many years, but is now unable to continue due to pressures of work and other commitments.

Richard has been instrumental in bringing about so many improvements in Clopton and the parish council wishes to express its very sincere appreciation for everything Richard has done for the whole village over the years.

Oliver Rofix was co-opted onto the parish council filling the



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## Bealings Bylines

### Little Bealings Parish Council

#### Notes from the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 22 May

**Elections:** Both Jim Ward, former chairman, and Jenny Cook, former vice chairman, resigned from the council, after many years of service. They were both thanked for all their hard work. The following were elected/appointed for 2005/06: Chairman: Ferial Evans (was Rogers)

Vice Chairman: Jenny Shaw  
SALC representative: Ferial Evans

Footpath and Tree Warden:

Jenny Cook

Clerk/Responsible Financial

Officer: Carol Ramsden.

**Accounts for 2005/06:** These had been internally audited by June Gosling and were adopted. The report to external auditors was approved.

**Website:** The creation of a Parish Council website using Onesuffolk would be investigated.

**Highways:** It was agreed to ask for another meeting with SCC to address the speed and volume of traffic on Martlesham and Playford roads

and that Jenny Shaw would attend a meeting of Save Our Rural Roads with a view to the parish council joining this initiative.

**Flytipping:** Rubbish dumped in a passing place in Holly Lane would be reported to SCDC's hotline (01394 444000).

**Outdoor play scheme:** Suffolk County Council had replied to the request for funding towards refurbishment of the playing field and agreed to provide £1,500 from Councillor Peter Bellfield's Locality Budget.

**Finance:** Donations were made to the running costs of the village hall, the Benefice Newsletter (for Great and Little Bealings, Playford and Culpho), Grundisburgh & District News and to the Coastal Accessible Transport service.

*Carol Ramsden - Clerk 01473 610088  
littlebealingspc@btinternet.com*

### Fun on the field: fund raising for a playing field

Sunday 11 June was a fantastically hot sunny day and a great day for a village party. More than 200 people

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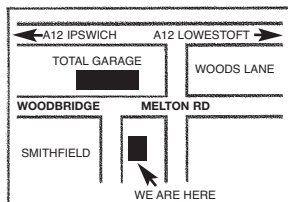
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# Bealings Bylines

turned up from Great and Little Bealings to enjoy a relaxing afternoon and raise money for the creation of a playing field.

There was excellent Adnams beer donated by the pub, tasty BBQ food, a variety of stalls and a very competent local band to enjoy. My favourite stall was definitely the crockery smashing and more than 240 attempts were made to smash the family china. One young person who shall remain nameless threw the ball straight through the dresser and out the other side, missing the crockery, but making me think that a local cricket team might be a good idea!

Sixty three cyclists started the day with a round the village sponsored cycle ride helped along by 10 marshals offering water and encouragement, especially as the morning began to get hotter and the inclines began to look steeper. The maximum number of laps was nine, which equates to 18 miles, was achieved by Norman Porter.

The fun on the field event raised £850 for the playing field refurbishment, with a further £700 coming from the sponsored bike ride.

Thanks must go to Malcolm Watson and the fund raising team for organising the day in such a thorough way. A few days after the event and he is already talking about "next time", which is a good sign!

There are many future events planned for the playing field refurbishment fund starting

with a 'curry and quiz night' on Friday 22 September and a 'casino and race night & auction of promises' on Saturday 18 November. Fundraising and fun - not to be missed!

*Sally Johnson*

## More players wanted for carpet bowls

For some time Bealings Carpet Bowls had been considering the possibility of obtaining some carpet storage rollers that would fit into the limited space where they have to be kept.

Then Dennis Beards came up with a superb design just right for our requirements and Barry Atkins of Atkins Welding made a very impressive job of obtaining the materials and welding the whole structure together. Consequently, we now have two excellent rollers that will solve most of our problems - especially the creaky knees as we don't have to get down on the floor now to handle the carpets!

With Dennis painting the finished equipment and Martin producing the wooden bits on his lathe, it just shows what can be done given a little motivation and a bit of togetherness!

We now feel it would be nice to have more people to share the jolly good times we have. So, if you would like to give carpet bowling a try, just come along to Bealings Village Hall on a Tuesday at about 2pm or any

Wednesday at 7.30pm. There is no charge! Or ring Janet, our chairperson, on 01473 622257. Do come, we shall be pleased to see you.

*Elaine Barritt, secretary*

## WI REPORT

The May meeting of Bealings WI was packed with information on summer activities, including the Woodbridge Group meeting and visit. Resolutions for the National WI Annual General Meeting at Cardiff were presented by Joan Moon and Jennifer Cook, discussed and voting instructions passed to the delegate.

Home-grown entertainment was 'Flower Arranging with a Difference'. Four teams each of two members, one a minder/instructor and the other blindfolded, endeavoured to copy a sample flower arrangement made earlier by Betty Slim. A display of photographs entered in the 2006 exhibition by four members of the Suffolk East WI Camera Club attracted much interest and comment.

On a glorious June afternoon, instead of the usual monthly meeting, members journeyed to Bury St Edmunds. On leaving the coach, armed with our visitors guide, we each went our separate ways. For many, it was the first time to admire the new millennium tower of the cathedral.

It was on a perfect summer evening when a group of

Bealings WI members and friends met Mr Fox for a walk around the historic docks area of Ipswich, a follow-up to his very interesting talk earlier.

We proceeded down Silent Street to St Peter Street. The various architectural and historical backgrounds of the buildings were explained and pointed out to us en-route. Crossing over Star Lane we passed the Church of St Peter's Port, admiring the intricate flint work. At one time this was the waterfront of the original docks.

We then crossed College Street and walked on to the south side of the wet dock. Mr Fox had prepared a map for us that was invaluable in helping us to identify the various buildings around the dock. He told us interesting anecdotes and memories of his early working life at Burton's which is now being redeveloped. Both marinas were crowded with elegant private yachts.

On the return walk we passed Wolsey's Gate and the sadly neglected St Mary at the Quay. We admired the Alms Houses in Foundation Street and returned via St Stephen's Lane admiring the carved 17th century beam set in a wall at the rear of the church.

We returned home feeling we had made new discoveries about this historic town, and realising that there is more to learn later.

*Edited from contributions by Jennifer Cook, Paddy Bills and Vicki Carr.*



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These can be cooked or raw, but Suffolk Coastal District Council suggests that any food is wrapped in newspaper first. It is also alright to put in cardboard boxes, paper or cardboard-based food packaging, paper towels and shredded paper.

Residents who would like more information about this

new service or would like an additional brown bin can call the recycling team on 01394 444000, or can visit the council's website on [www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk](http://www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk).

There is an annual charge of £30 for an extra bin to help cover the additional collection costs and to encourage people to consider home composting when possible. Garden waste can also be taken to household waste and recycling centres such as the Foxhall depot.

These centres also sell the soil improver which is created.

In addition to the new improved brown bin scheme

for green waste, a new recycling scheme is gradually being rolled out throughout the Suffolk Coastal area, and will be completed by 2010.

Two of The News' villages are already involved: Otley and

Clopton. The district council's recycling team told The News that residents there were to be congratulated on the excellent standard of recyclable material being collected.

## Dancing to success

Ballet students from a wide area came to Grundisburgh Village Hall to take their primary and grades 1 to 3 exams. The 23 students, who were taught by five different teachers, eight of them by Grundisburgh's Carole Hayes School of Dance.

Her primary level pupils are seen here - Beth Sheridan and Laura Bailey from Grundisburgh, and Lily Smith from Saxmundham. The exam day went well for the students, despite the heat and the noise of the combine harvester in the field opposite.



Carole Hayes' tap dancing classes for children and adults restart on 7 September in Grundisburgh Village Hall. These are now on Thursdays at 6pm. Contact Carole on 01473 738865.

## NEWS IN BRIEF .....

The next plant sale run by the Suffolk Group NCCPG (National Council for Conservation of Plants and Gardens) will be at Helmingham Hall on Sunday 17 September between 10.30am and 4pm. The £4.50 entry fee gives access to the hall gardens as well as to the displays by specialist plant nurseries.

The Local Network Fund was set up in Suffolk in 2002 and is a grant scheme (grants of between £250 and £7,000) to help improve the lives of children and young people. Since then 1.5 million has already been awarded to 347 groups of various types across Suffolk. For more information call James Elby on 01473 242509.

Winners of the 100+ Club of Suffolk Coastal Crossroads in June were M Greenfield of

Bucklesham (£15) and A Cass, Hasketon, £10. In July S Mortlock of Great Glemham won £15 and J Wood, Felixstowe £10. To join the 100+ Club, phone 01394 388970.

A concert with the Gippeswyk Singers in aid of Crossroads is on Saturday 14 October at the Kesgrave Community Centre. Tickets at £5 can be obtained by ringing 01394 388970.

The West Suffolk Wood Turning Club meets on the third Tuesday of each month at Earl Stonham Village Hall starting at 7.30pm. A typical meeting would be a demonstration by a well known turner, or maybe a club member, making something from start to finish. In November there will be a day long demonstration when the presenter will be of international standing. New members are very welcome to come along to see what

happens. Members are all hobby woodturners, except chairman Bill Care who has a shop and workshop at Stonham Barns. More information from Geoff Moss on 01394 383569.

The house to house collection in aid of the Arthritis Research Campaign helped raise a grand total of £1,069.79: This came from: Grundisburgh £114.39; Little Bealings £190.18, Great Bealings £113.81; Playford and Culpho £84.91; Tuddenham £97.69; Witnesham £109.99. Ian Craig, treasurer for Woodbridge ARC, would like to thank everyone for their support and generosity.

Pat Howgego and Pat Fletcher say thank you to the young people who delivered envelopes during Christian Aid week, as well as to those who collected them

and to the many who gave so generously. The totals given were: Burgh £552.31 and Grundisburgh £1,301.54.

The News is very grateful to the following organisations for grants towards our production costs: Wood Trust, Burgh; Great and Little Bealings Parish Councils; Otley Parish Council, Tuddenham Parish Council, as well as to Grundisburgh & Culpho Parish Council for funding towards a camera.

As part of its 'Breaking the Sound Barrier' campaign, the RNID has developed a clinically approved over-the-phone sound check for people to find out if they are suffering from hearing loss. This can be done by ringing 0845 600 55 55. Details on <http://www.breakingthesoundbarrier.org.uk/home>.



## Sporting stories

### Tennis courts get bright new look

The newly painted courts at Grundisburgh Tennis Club - swimming pool blue with bright green surround - are looking good and now playing well after a bit of a slippery start.

A special summer membership

is available for the school holiday period. This costs: adults £13.50, juniors £10, family £22. There is a £7 refundable charge for the key to the courts.

We would encourage anyone who wants to play during the holidays to join as soon as possible and save themselves the embarrassment of being asked to leave if they are found to be playing there without paying. The courts can also be hired by the hour via Olde Forge Stores (though not booked in advance).

The cleaning and repainting of the courts has cost the club £5,000, so we need all the subscriptions we can get if we want to maintain this facility in the village. We would like to thank Grundisburgh & Culpho Parish Council for the grant towards the repainting.

Club sessions are continuing on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings, and a Junior club session is now on Friday

evenings from 4.30 to 6pm.

Autumn coaching will be held every Monday in September with Tom Perry (PTR). Lessons will be between 4 and 7pm for both juniors and adults. For more information or to book contact Sue Haddock on 01473 738872 or [suehaddock@dsl.pipex.com](mailto:suehaddock@dsl.pipex.com).

John Ager will be offering his popular ladies' mornings in the autumn (enquiries to John on 01473 735541, or [john.ager@tesco.net](mailto:john.ager@tesco.net)).

Monica Begg., 01473 738830

resignation of John and Jill Juby from the posts of treasurer and secretary respectively. The club thanks them for their efforts in these key positions that have been managed admirably.

Elaine Smith is welcomed as our new secretary, while Jenny Tampin will be combining her bar commitment with the duties of treasurer.

A number of 'friendly' matches have been arranged including a 'Double Header' at Arlesford held on 22 July and against BT on 5 August.

The Annual Fun Day will be held at Grundisburgh Playing Field on 28 August. A proven popular event that will include Punch and Judy, a clown, Gold and White Militaires, car boot, cake stall and various side shows. Children's races will be held during the afternoon. The fun starts at 2pm.

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### Football club preparing for season

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## Classified

**Wanted:** Polystyrene chips or bits of old packaging for my African sack gardens. Nicola Hobbs 738267.

**For Sale:** Unique Grundisburgh calendars by Chris, Joy and Reg, with poems and portraits of local people. Price £7.50 from 738219 by appointment or all local shops and The Dog. £2 from each sale goes to St Mary's Church.

**For Sale:** Two girls' bikes - Raleigh Calypso and a Raleigh Camaro. £15 each. 738830.

**For Sale:** Mamas and Papas baby goods: Cot with sliding up and down side rail and bed base with three adjustable heights, £50; pram, vgc in blue with white and blue check comprising adjustable carry cot and tripper style seat for when baby gets older. Adjustable handle bars, £65. 01394 461155.

**For Sale:** Good solid pine kitchen/dining table with 4 wooden chairs. £75. 01394 461155.

**For Sale:** Child's wardrobe and matching chest of drawers, £75, and small chest of drawers, £25. All light colour and vgc. 01394 461155.

**For Sale:** Sovereign petrol lawn mower. Briggs & Stratton 35 Classic Engine. 2 years old, excellent runner, large grass

box, easy to use, red. £50. 01394 461155.

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**For Sale:** Rover 75 Thule roof bars. £15. the pair. 738330.

**Plants** still available in return for donations to Send a Cow, The Ford House, 738267.

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**Wanted:** Swinging garden seat, preferably old. Condition immaterial. 738186.

**For sale:** Bike rack for car, Halfords. Offers. 738186.

**Wanted:** Ladies bicycle, must be in good condition. Preferably 21 gears. 738330.

**House sitting:** Former Grundisburgh residents coming back on holiday could care for home approx 27 July to 10 August. 738108.

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### FLU VACCINATION DAY

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When e-mailing please include 'News info' and indication of topic in the subject box. Photos can be sent as JPEGs or prints.

All items will be included in the internet version unless otherwise requested. This is available on [www.grundisburghnews.org.uk](http://www.grundisburghnews.org.uk)

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# New life at the White Hart

The good folk of Otley celebrated the power of the people a few weeks ago when The White Hart re-opened its doors after some nine months of being dark. We asked Lynda Saint, co-owner of the revamped pub, to tell us what happened...

“I read about the spirited campaign being mounted by the villagers to save their only pub from being turned into residential housing in the local press.

I was living in Woodbridge, thinking about going back into the pub trade, and appalled to think that planners were willing to sacrifice one of the three most important elements of a successful village. A quick drive out showed me that Otley already had the other two - a fantastic Village Shop and an active School, so it seemed even more ludicrous to close the pub.

With more than a little help from my friends I managed to negotiate a sale and, after five days of hectic painting, provisioning and doing

Carol Smiley impersonations, opened pub on Saturday the 20th May. On Sunday the 21st May, Otley Village Post Office did a roaring trade in paracetamol. It was a good night.

Since then the pub has gone from strength to strength as more people discover us. The emphasis is on keeping everything as close as possible. ‘Think global, act local’ may have become a bit of a cliché, but I think it is more important than ever to contribute as much as possible to the local economy. So you will find cheese from Coddensham, beer from Earl Soham, apple juice from

Ashbocking, sausages from Wickham Market, and wines from all over the world, delivered by small independent, rather than large national, companies.

I also have been very lucky in finding great key staff that are aided and abetted by a host of chaps and chappesses, mostly from either Otley or a neighbouring village. Behind the bar is Sarah Bradshaw who keeps those local brews sparkling and puts exactly the right amount of ice and lime in a vodka and tonic.

In the kitchen is Sam Bucket, whose Fish Cakes are already legendary. The menu changes frequently, sometimes almost instantly, just to keep everyone on their toes. Children and dogs are more than welcome, and Sunday lunches come in three sizes to suit different appetites.

We are available for private parties, public meetings and all things in between. The aim is to be a pub for all seasons, both of the year and of life. And all thanks to the people. Well done folks.”





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