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DISASTROUS PLANNING DECISIONS FOR RURAL ROADS IN VILLAGES

Residents of many villages in The News' area are horrified at recent planning decisions by Suffolk Coastal District Council that will increase the amount of heavy lorry traffic on rural roads.

The district council's change of mind concerning the enforcement order relating to storage at Debach Enterprises and its invitation for a planning application to be submitted has extremely serious consequences for many communities.

The Save our Rural Roads Campaign (SORR), which has representatives from 16 parish councils, has been fighting the great increase in heavy traffic on unsuitable rural roads over the past 10 years. One of its main campaigns has been to try and get Suffolk Coastal Planning Department to stop Debach Enterprises using land illegally for storage, both on safety grounds and because of the traffic it engenders.

SORR has arranged a public meeting for Wednesday 22 August, at 7.15 for 7.30pm in Bredfield Village Hall which will be attended by Suffolk Coastal planners and will provide an opportunity for residents to voice their

opinions before the application from Debach Enterprises is considered by the council.

More information about this complicated situation, which affects residents in many of our villages, is included on page 7.

Grundisburgh residents are also concerned about a planning approval for a business which would bring increased traffic into the single track Gull Lane.

The decision to grant planning permission for a storage and distribution business at Gull Farm has led Grundisburgh and Culpho Parish Council to pass a motion of 'no confidence' in Suffolk Coastal's Development Control Sub Committee.

The planning sub-committee's decision was taken contrary to the recommendations for refusal on safety grounds by the county council's highways department. It is also contrary



Café Culture in Grundisburgh!

Year 5 pupils at Grundisburgh School demonstrated their new found language skills by running a French cafe. Story on page 5.

to the views of the same committee at an earlier hearing. In addition an earlier application for nearby Elm Tree Farm, which would also have affected the narrow single track Gull Lane, was refused and, on appeal, was dismissed.

Gull Lane is regularly used by pedestrians, dog walkers and joggers, and was a candidate for 'quiet lane' designation.

200 not out!

This is 200th edition of The News since it started as a single sheet to publicise the 'raise the roof' campaign for Grundisburgh playgroup in 1981. But more help is needed to keep it going - see our ad on page 19.



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JULY

Saturday 28th

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

AUGUST

Thursday 2nd

'Romania' G'burgh Burgh & Culpho WI. GPR 7.30pm.
Contact 735088

Friday 3rd

Evening Garden Party
iao G'burgh Burgh & Culpho
Horticultural Society. G'burgh
Hall. Contact 738330/738550.

Saturday 4th

Hasketon Village Fete
The Green 2pm. Contact
01394 388970.

Billfest Bond's Corner,
G'burgh 2.30pm-midnight.
Contact 07958 964588

Sunday 5th

Hasketon Flower Festival
St Andrew's Church 12noon.
Contact 01394 382208

Tuesday 7th

Otley Hall Quiet Day.
Contact 890264

Sunday 12th

Otley Hall Garden Party
2-6pm. Contact 890264

Wednesday 22nd

Otley Hall Quiet Day.
Contact 890264

**Public meeting on Debach
Enterprises planning
application** Bredfield VH
7.30pm. Contact 737218

Sunday 26th

Open Day Otley Hall 1-5pm.
Contact 890264.

Monday 27th

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

SEPTEMBER

Saturday 1st

**St. Mary's Grundisburgh
Church Fete** The Green 2pm.
Contact 738866

Thursday 6th

'Face Reading' Clopton
Ladies Group Clopton VH
8pm. Contact 737417
'Cards and Creative Crafts'
G'burgh Burgh & Culpho WI
GPR 7.30pm. Contact 735088

Saturday 8th/Sunday 9th

Exhibition G'burgh Art
Group Culpho Church.
Contact 738265

Sunday 9th

Parish Walk meet G'burgh
Green 2pm. Contact 735481

Monday 10th

**G'burgh & Culpho Parish
Council** St. Botolph's Church
Culpho 7.30pm. Contact
735541

Friday 14th

Summer Salsa iao Home-
Start Suffolk Coastal BVH
8-10pm. Contact
735444/01394 384982

**Ploughman's Supper and
Archive Films** Victory Hall
Hasketon 7.15pm. Contact
01394 388970

Wednesday 19th

Otley Hall Quiet Day.
Contact 890264

September 20th

'From My Mother's Basket'
Bealings WI BVH 7.30pm.
Contact 251632

Tuesday 25

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

Thursday 27th

**G'burgh Environmental
Group AGM and talk on
Energy Efficiency** GPR 8pm.
Contact 735461.

Mystery Tour The Golden
Club GVH 2.30pm. Contact
735650

Friday 28th

Quiz'n curry night iao
Bealings Playing Field.
Contact 614855/738076

OCTOBER

Thursday 4th

'Trekkling in the Himalayas'
Clopton Ladies Group Clopton
VH 8pm. Contact 737417

'Body Language' G'burgh
Burgh & Culpho WI GPR
7.30pm. Contact 735088

Saturday 6th

Otley Hall Quiet Day.
Contact 890264

Friday 12th

**Ploughman's Supper and
Ceilidh (Barn Dance)**
Hasketon Victory Hall
7.15pm. Contact 01394
388970

Tuesday 16th

**'East Anglian Landed
Families' G'burgh Local
History Society** GPR. Contact
738321

Thursday 18th

'The Joy of Running a B&B'
Bealings WI BVH 2.30pm.
Contact 251632

Thursday 25th

Slide Show by John Berg The
Golden Club GVH 2.30pm.
Contact 735650

NOVEMBER

Friday 2nd

**Christmas Shopping
Evening** FOGS G'burgh
School. Contact 735113

Monday 5th

Fireworks to Music FOGS
G'burgh School. Contact
738907

Saturday 10th

Coffee Morning The Golden
Club. Contact 735650

Saturday 17th

**AGM and talk 'G'burgh
1851 to 1901'** G'burgh Local
History Society GVH.
Contact 738321

DECEMBER

Saturday 1st

Hasketon's Christmas Dance
Victory Hall. Contact 01394
387590

Key for abbreviations:

*P/VH - Parish/Village hall
PF - Playing field
PR - Parish rooms*

*All codes are 01473 unless
given otherwise.*

*Entries must be separated
from any editorial sent and
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What's On

Free fun activities for young people

If you are 11-16 and worried about being bored this summer, then worry no more! Hasketon and Grundisburgh summer programme of fun activities is for you and it is free.

From 31 July to 16 August, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, we (Just 42 Youth Work Charity) are running a variety of exciting activity days, including professional graffiti workshops, loads of sports, 'Gladiator Duel', Sumo suits, mobile skate park, zoo trip, inflatable assault course and loads more! Interested? Contact me on 01394380992 or email baz@just42.org.uk.

JADS (Hasketon youth club) and Grundisburgh youth club will be starting to operate again on Tuesday nights and Thursday nights respectively in the second week in September.

Baz Wilkinson

Update from Debach Airfield

The Hangar Dance and open day at Debach Airfield in June were most successful - and attracted a 'full house' to the dance.

Just in case you didn't make it to the open day - the three museums (control tower, nissen hut and the home front) will be open on the last Sunday of July, August and September. 11am to 4pm. Admission is free but we never say 'no' to a donation of any kind! The souvenir shop will be open in the nissen hut.

Going back to June - the week after the 1940s weekend - we held 'Abba in the Hangar'. We are pleased to say that it was yet another 'full house' and everyone who attended looked as though they had a great evening. So much so that we might have another event in a similar vein next year - perhaps 'A Queen Tribute Band'. Some want Abba back -

perhaps you will call us with your ideas. Sadly, we will not be doing an open day next year - but may well go ahead with the two dances. Thank you to all those who came to support us in June.

*Prilly & Richard Taylor, 01473 737236,
richard@prilly.fsnet.co.uk*

First Billfest

Over 200 tickets have already been sold for the first ever Billfest at Bonds Corner, Grundisburgh, on Saturday 4 August.

Five bands will be playing throughout the afternoon and evening (3pm to midnight). The £5 tickets can be obtained at The Dog or by ringing Lennie Billsberry on 07958 964588. A hog roast will be available to those buying filled rolls (bring your own drinks). Proceeds will be going to the East Anglian Air Ambulance.



Above: Ollie Billsberry performing at Grundisburgh Village Show - he will be joined by his fellow Zillionaires for the Billfest.

OTLEY HALL EVENTS

Otley Hall has events organised for the rest of the summer. A new one is the Otley Hall Garden Party on Sunday 12 August, from 2 to 6pm. Wine tastings are being supplied by Adnams, light nibbles will be served and a string quartet will play throughout. Tickets cost £13 per person; booking is essential.

The last open day of the year is on Sunday 26 August, from 1 to 5pm. These are fun days out for all the family. The

house and gardens will be open for all to explore with experienced guides on hand to give detailed information on the history of the hall.

We will have Tudor dancing, spinners and weavers demonstrating their craft, archery for all to try. We hope to be joined by an American drama group performing Shakespearean plays in the gardens. There are plenty of children's activities including crown and shield making, and a bouncy castle. Refreshments will be available. Admission costs £5 for adults and £2.50 for children.

There are 'Quiet Days' on Tuesday 7 August ('In the Footsteps of St Cuthbert' led by Canon Sylvia Chapman), Wednesday 22 August ('Francis and Christ on the Cross, in the Crib & Within the Communion' led by Revd Andrew Dotchin), Wednesday 19 September ('Praying with Julian of Norwich' led by Julia Mann) and Saturday 6 October. Places cost £16 per person including refreshments and a ploughman's lunch.

For more information or booking Contact Lucy on 01473 890264, email: enquiries@otleyhall.co.uk, www.otleyhall.co.uk

SUMMER SALSA

A Salsa workshop at Bealings Village Hall on Friday 14 September is Home-Start Suffolk Coastal's summer fundraiser.

With expert tuition from

Amelia Gilardi and Robert Fisher from the Lait School of Dancing in Ipswich, this will be a relaxed and fun evening, for lively ladies and (even reluctant!) men. It runs from 8 to 10pm. Tickets at £7, including soft drinks (BYO beer/wine), from Home-Start Suffolk Coastal, Cedar House, Pytches Road, Woodbridge, IP12 1EP. As numbers are limited, early booking is recommended!

Home-Start is a voluntary scheme which offers friendly support and practical help to families with at least one child under five. It receives no state funding.

Art exhibition

The Grundisburgh Art Group will be holding its first exhibition in Culpho Church, starting with a Private View on Friday 7 September and opening to the public on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th from 10am till 5pm. All members will be exhibiting two works each, which will be for sale with a donation being given to Culpho Church.

Paul Bruce

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

Following last year's success, the Friends of Grundisburgh School are repeating the shopping evening. This takes place on Friday 2 November at the school, and if anyone would like to reserve a stall should contact Tracey Cattermole on 01473 735113.

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NEWS TRIBUTES

Kathleen Dimmock August 1916 to May 2007

Kathleen was one of the long generation of the Harris family in Grundisburgh. She was born in a cottage in Half Moon Lane, one of a large family with little money, but plenty of love. Despite the hardships Kathleen enjoyed her childhood.

Kathleen's father died when she was 13, and at 14 she was put on a train to Essex where she was to work as a scullery maid. Food was plentiful and, as there were no shops locally, she had no need of money and all her wages were sent home to help her family. Kathleen continued to work in several big houses and eventually rose to the position of cook.

She fell in love with Albert at a very young age, despite them spending much time apart since she worked away. When they did marry, they set up home in the cottage near the shop at the Thatched Cottage in Woodbridge Road. Kathleen's father-in-law had opened the shop when, due to ill-health, he had left his job as a postman in London to move to the country. Albert was ten years old then and the family

continued to run the shop until 1958.

Two years after Kathleen and Albert married war was declared and Albert was called up. By this time they had a one year old daughter Anne, and four years later David was born. Albert was in France during the latter part of the war and didn't get home often, so Kathleen was left to bring up the children alone. Until David's arrival Kathleen made use of the baby-sitting services of friends and family and was thus able to work at the jam factory in Hasketon, cycling there with other women from the village.

After the war Grandfather Dimmock died and the family moved into the Thatched Cottage to help run the shop, and here Kathleen's youngest daughter Gail was born.

Anne recalls working in the shop with her mother and it took tact and diplomacy to ensure that goods that were still in short supply were kept available for 'regular customers'. The shop was open every day except Sunday and even then people would knock at the back door for some item they'd missed off their shopping list. Anne remembers that her father would refuse to answer, but her mother would always go because "you had to keep customers happy"!

In 1958 Kathleen was pregnant again and the family had to leave the Thatched Cottage and move to the Ancient House in Burgh, where Colin was born. Sadly, Colin was

severely disabled, but Kathleen coped with his needs while also managing to do various jobs in houses around the village, particularly Grundisburgh House, where she was able to take Colin with her.

Kathleen knew the sadness of bereavement with the death of her husband in 1973, and then Colin's death in 1997, but she also knew the joy of three children, six

grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Her life was sometimes hard but the family remembers the laughs they had, and say that if they have Whist Drives in heaven she will be there indulging in her favourite pastime.

In the last three months of her life Kathleen was cared for at Haughgate House in Woodbridge, and the family are extremely grateful to the staff there for the way they looked after her.

Madge Nicholas (with thanks to the family)

Barbara Lankester March 1918 to May 2007

Barbara was the third child of Sam and Ethel Pipe and born at Lamberts Cottage next to the cake shop (now Forge Stores). After a house fire they had to move into the parish room for six months, where Barbara had to sleep under the billiard table. At three, she moved with the family to 1 Meeting Lane where she lived for the rest of her life.

Her mother died when she was 13. Times were hard and at 14 Barbara went out to work. Her first job was to be a nanny to two boys at Felixstowe, then Ipswich. Barbara married Wilfred, a widower with a young son John, when she was 19 and they spent 63 happy years together before Wilfred died in 2000.

Barbara had several different jobs throughout her life, the one she enjoyed the most was working on the local fruit farm. Gardening was one of her hobbies and as passers by could see her garden was always immaculate, full of colour and neatly cut grass. Her children, grandchildren



and great grandchildren were her life. Barbara enjoyed visiting car boot sales to buy toys for them, which could often be seen scattered around the garden when the family were visiting. The walnut tree was loved by all the family, the nuts that came from it and the swing hanging from one of its branches, a magnet to all the children.

Barbara could often be seen riding through the village on her red mobility scooter, this has been donated by the family to the church so that some other people will be able to benefit from its use.

She was a member of the over 60s, the luncheon club and the ladies fellowship at the chapel where she enjoyed the company of friends and a good chat. The church and the love of its music meant so much to her and gave her great comfort.

Barbara and Wilfred experienced the holiday of a lifetime to Australia to see her sister Millie who had kindly sent them the tickets to visit. The sisters kept in contact by phone every week, sometimes for an hour at a time, keeping each other up to date with family and village news. Barbara always had a warm welcome for family and friends when they popped in to visit. We are sure people will miss her smiling face in the window when passing number 1. The big gap in all our lives can never be filled.

We would like to thank Rev. Clare Sanders for the lovely service and everyone that attended. Also for all the cards and messages of sympathy. To the bellringers for their three hour peal in memory of our Mum. The donations came to the great sum of £1,023.75p.

Barbara's family



Kathleen (right) with her cousin Vera Calver.



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BEATING LEUKAEMIA...

An update from Oliver

Over the past six months, since my last update, I have improved heaps and bounds.

Since I had a bone marrow transplant in March 2006 at Addenbrookes Hospital, I have gained weight and stamina, and am back at my apprenticeship at the Port of Felixstowe and at college, although not full days as yet. I consider I am truly lucky to have survived such a dreadful disease and will continue to help raise awareness of Leukaemia and fund raise for its research whenever possible.

You may have seen me out and about in a Chieftan Tank or a Ferret armoured car, shaking the red buckets!

Rachael Michell, from Otley has lost two close friends to Leukamia, and has organised a charity ball in aid of Leukaemia Research on 4 August at Ipswich Town Hall. Its not too late to buy tickets.....live music and a great auction (telephone 01473 890470 for information) - your support would be welcome.

I had a rare undiagnosed Leukaemia and was invited to take part in a research study. The study is organised by the Department of Haematology at the University of Cambridge and is funded by the Leukaemia Research Fund.

Oliver Rofix, Clopton



What a difference a year makes! Oliver Rofix on the ski slopes exactly one year after his life-saving operation.

Café culture thrives at Grundisburgh School

Year Five children from Grundisburgh Primary School would like to thank all their customers, volunteer helpers, Balloonatics and Grange Farm Shop. The French Café was a great success.

The 10-year-old French-speaking waiters and waitresses demonstrated their newly found language skills and their customers enjoyed the buzz at the busy café.

Learning a foreign language will be compulsory for all Key

Stage 2 pupils by 2010. At Grundisburgh School French is already taught in years 3, 5 and 6.

The ten year olds in Year 5 responded with huge enthusiasm to the 'bon-bons et baguette' programme and the French Café idea soon snowballed.

The project has inspired local companies to lend their support. Balloonatics from Capel St Mary transformed the school hall for the occasion. Grange Farm Shop Hasketon provided croissants and pains au chocolat.

The French Café is also an important stepping-stone. In September the current Year 5 will visit France on a PGL (Parents Get Lost) residential week. In addition to many out-door activities, they will visit the Bayeux Tapestry and spend time in a French school making new French friends.

Now, at the very least, if the Grundisburgh children are

hungry in France, they will know how to ask for food!

Karen Wattleworth

A photograph of the cafe staff is featured on the front page of this issue. Ed.

School music CD

All the classes at Grundisburgh School were involved in a music project during the summer term, compiling a CD. The children performed the works at the end of term concert, and the 19 track CD is now available at Olde Forge Stores for £50.

Local History Society

The Grundisburgh Local History Society had two successful outings over the summer. In June there was a guided walk around some of the hidden corners of Ipswich. In July we made a trip to Helmingham Hall Gardens. The programme for 2007/8 is firming up nicely, with the first talk of the season on Tuesday 17 September.

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ENVIRONMENT MATTERS



Recycling Updates

A four page supplement on Recycling put together by the Grundisburgh Environment Group (GREG) was included in the last edition of The News. Since it was produced there have been some changes:

✿ PAINT is no longer accepted at the Foxhall Road Recycling Centre

✿ TETRAPAKS/Waxed CARTONS can now be recycled through the Foxhall Road Recycling Centre

✿ PLASTIC BAGS can now be put into a separate

container at
Foxhall Road

✿ SHREDDED PAPER is now accepted in the paper bank at Foxhall Road, as well as in the Bolton paper banks

✿ TYRES cannot be taken by the Vehicle Surgeon unless the terms and quantity

are agreed in advance with them (ring them on 01473 735575)

The recycling information is constantly being updated on www.green-grundisburgh.org.uk (click on 'recycling').

GrEG's annual general meeting and a talk on 'Energy Efficiency' is being held on Thursday 27 September at 8 pm in Grundisburgh Parish Rooms.

Gas with GrEG

The Grundisburgh Environment Group - GrEG - invites all readers of The News to an evening on man's contribution to climate change.

All being well, we will have a showing of Al Gore's film 'An Inconvenient Truth'

8 pm Thursday 13-Sep-07

Playford Village Hall

(a member of Suffolk Digital Cinema Network)

Anyone needing, or able to offer, car sharing please contact GrEG Secretary Dee Hibble g.hibble1@btinternet.com 01473 735641.

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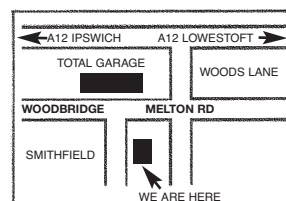
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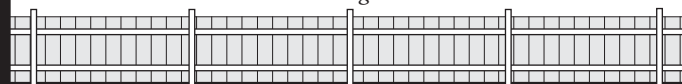
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WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

Fancy going back to school in September? Charsfield Primary School is now enrolling students between the ages of 4 and 100! As part of a new initiative to engage with the community, the school, in conjunction with local training company Harambee, is opening its doors in the evening to offer computer training courses.

Mrs Val Jones, head teacher at the school said "We are very excited to be involved with this scheme. We have the facilities and it makes sense for us to offer our resources to enable students of all ages to learn something new. It is not only important for parents to be able to use computer for themselves but it will allow them to help their children with their homework and importantly keep a watchful eye on the 'chat rooms' children are so keen on using. Involving the community by holding classes in the school, gives an important opportunity for the school and the local community to work together".

Courses will be available in Word Processing, Databases, Spreadsheets, Desk Top Publishing, Web Page Design, the Internet and E-mail.

Jacqui Martin from Harambee Training Ltd highlighted the benefits of such a scheme "it is so convenient to be able to use the facilities of your local school, with any luck some students will be able to leave the car at home and walk or cycle to class - a chance to exercise body and mind!"

Whether for work or pleasure, or just to try and keep up with the kids, enrol on a course this September - pencil cases optional and no uniform required!

Courses start in September and cost is £60 for six weeks.

They on offer are part of the nationally recognised

Computer Literacy and Information Technology Certificate (CLAIT). Courses are also running at Wickham Market CP School from September.

For further information call Jacqui at Harambee Training on 01728 747323 or visit www.harambee.biz.



Headteacher of Charsfield School, Val Jones.

Debach Enterprises - Public Inquiry Called Off

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We almost got there! For three years we have fought to stop the unauthorised storage of plastic beads at the Debach Enterprises site. We have endured the violation of our country roads by the associated increase in their HGV traffic. We have been through an application for Lawful Development, enforcement action and a protracted appeal process. We got to within one month of the public inquiry into their appeal.

With the finishing post in sight, Suffolk Coastal decided to drop all enforcement action!

This has been sold to us as a compromise solution, with "concessions for the residents" Debach Enterprises will, at some time, cease the unauthorised storage of plastic on their site. They will remove the hideous concrete barrier

they have recently erected (without planning permission) at the end of the runway in Looms Lane. And they have offered the residents of Debach a permissive grass footpath through the village so they may dodge the lorries in dry weather.

These 'concessions' mean precious little to the residents of Debach. For all the other communities around the site there is nothing - and the lorries will continue.

In return, Debach Enterprises want full planning permission for the runway site for lorry parking and some "agricultural" storage. They will also apply for an exit at the end of the runway onto Looms Lane. This will not, we are assured, result in any

increase in HGV traffic above the current levels (which have resulted from their blatant abuse of planning regulations).

Their planning application is expected shortly.

Philip Ridley, Director of Planning Services at Suffolk Coastal, and Martin Price, the case officer, have agreed to attend the public meeting SORR has arranged for 22 August (7.15 for 7.30pm, Bredfield Village Hall) to discuss the application.

It is open to all residents of the 16 parishes affected. It is vitally important that we all attend and make our views very clear from the outset.

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Martin Hough, 735213

VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

Following the well attended public meeting in April, Grundisburgh Village Hall

Management Committee set up a special sub-committee to deal with the feasibility of having a new hall. This group is looking at all possibilities, but there can be no firm news until later in the year.

WI out visiting

On a fine but cold evening in June Grundisburgh, Burgh & Culpho WI members were given a warm welcome by Mr and Mrs Rowe to their home at Sweffling. Their out-houses are packed with by-gones of all shapes and sizes, and tastefully arranged in rooms such as laundry, bathroom, kitchen, etc. There were many items bearing labels of yesteryear that some of us could remember from our youth. We were given supper, and it was a most enjoyable evening.

Inclement weather in July meant that we had to abandon

the barbeque in Gill Girling's garden in favour of supper in the Parish Room. We enjoyed very nice pork beautifully cooked by Gill, with rolls and salad, followed by sweets prepared by committee members. The evening ended with a cookery competition prepared by Gill.

Peggy Gandy

University Challenge comes home

The first programme in the new series of 'University Challenge' featured a contest between Nottingham and Lancaster. Imagine the surprise of Grundisburgh viewers when one of the Nottingham team introduced himself as Simon Alvey from Grundisburgh, reading History. Well, we are now definitely on the map!

Simon's performance was brilliant, buzzing on starter questions more often than his team mates and the opposition, thus gaining a great win for Nottingham of 240 points, against 185 for Lancaster, both scores were very high.

Simon says that they very nearly didn't make it to Manchester for the recording, as they were travelling by train during the heavy floods in Yorkshire a couple of weeks ago. In the end they arrived extremely late at Manchester station and had to dash to the studios by taxi, arriving just before the programme was due to be recorded.

WINE TASTING TEST

Now in its sixth year, the Noble Rotters Wine Club of Grundisburgh set up a stand at The Village Show on 14 July, hosted by club members.

We offered an opportunity for visitors to test their knowledge of wines with a bottle of Champagne for the person with the nearest combination of correct answers. With four wines to taste, there was a constant flow of budding Oz

Clarkes and Jilly Gouldens sipping and slurping to try and identify the grape, country and approximate retail price! Some were more difficult than others, so in response to requests, here are the correct answers:

No 1 White - Gewürztraminer, (Alsace), France - £5.99

No 2 White - Cortese, (Gavi) Italy - £5.99

No 3 Red - Grenache/Syrah blend, (Languedoc-Roussillon) France - £4.99

No 4 Red - Sangiovese (Chianti), Italy - £6.40

The winner was Morgan MacDonald.

The programme for 2007 includes a wine quiz, various tastings (including one hosted by Adnams of Woodbridge), a Tapas event, a barbecue, a lunch and wine tasting at Adnams in Southwold and, of course, our Christmas party.

Members now number over 50, most of who joined when the club started. All events are planned and staged by the committee members (and partners) in their spare time!

Stuart Binns, chairman, 01473 738555

Celebrating the weather in song

St Mary's Church was the venue for another excellent concert given by The Strolling Singers, under the direction of Jill Peck, in aid of Crossroads, 'Caring for Carers' on 7 July. Their theme was 'The Weather', which enabled them to give a varied programme, from gloom to elation!

Each artist had a solo spot for a song or recitation, humorous or otherwise, and they all joined together as a choir. Sabina Wallace-King was their young soloist who played on both classical guitar and violin.

It was a good evening enjoyed by some 60 people who sat amidst the flowers arranged for the wedding of Tony Quinton and Olive McManus earlier in the day.

Katherine Smith



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FAMILY TALK

Grundisburgh Playgroup children spent time last term talking about themselves and their families, and this was reflected in some of their exhibits at the village show, where the four year olds entered 'tummy' box collages of themselves or a family member, and the three year olds collaged a self portrait on a plate!



We also talked about where we live and the need to be safe in our local environment and who helps us in our village. PC Gilmore and the community support officer Sally came to talk to the children about playing in safe areas; they stayed to play with us for the morning and the children enjoyed trying on

'real' helmets and jackets and seeing and hearing the police car! As well as where we live we have been talking about where some animals live and we had a visit from some tortoises and the children learnt about how they carry their homes on their backs! We also walked to the village green and visited the church and when we got back we made our own display of Grundisburgh village, including very colourful ducks!

The playgroup committee have been busy raising funds with a fantastic cake stall on the Sunday of the Hidden Gardens weekend, games up at the Village show and to finish off the term a Teddy Bears Picnic which was held up on the playing fields.

Presently, playgroup is almost full to capacity; with children attending from seven villages. Gill Grimwood does a sterling job as admissions secretary, trying to accommodate requests for specific

days. We offer children a stimulating, safe environment to learn through play, from the half term before their third birthday through to the term before their fifth. Outdoor play is offered in our own private garden. Sessions are available Monday to Friday, 9.15am to

11.45am. An optional lunch club operates on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday, offering care through till 1pm at an additional cost.

Please ring 01473 735161 to request an application form or to arrange a visit.

Anna Greenwood

Fierce competition on the stream



Grundisburgh's first ever duck race was held on The Green on 21 June. More news in next issue.

A comedy of errors



Photos, from left: Ian Frost and Peter Cockcroft; Madge Nicholas and Phil Bailey; Maggi Thompson, Bettina Lambert, Charlotte Crown, Nikki Brown and Phil Bailey .



The spring play presented by Grundisburgh Amateur Dramatic Society (GADS) was 'Flying Feathers' to sell out audiences who much enjoyed the fast moving

farcical situations. It was directed by Monica Boosey and involved a catalogue of misunderstandings, a few scantily clad young women and many confused identities.



Grundisburgh Village Show: another winner

The Village Show mounted by Grundisburgh Burgh & Culpho Horticultural Society on 14 July was lucky to have one of the few fine Saturdays of the summer.

Judges for the show classes displayed in the marquee came from the Suffolk Horticultural and Produce Association - who commented on the high standard, despite the difficult weather conditions in the run-up to the show. Competition was fierce in some classes - there were 20 entries for the Men only Victoria Sandwich (for which there was a new cup in memory of Andrew Turner and prize money sponsored by the football club), and 18 entries for the Sloe Gin class (prize money sponsored by The Dog).

Sponsorship of classes bringing generous prize money undoubtedly increased the number of entries. One exhibitor netted £33.50 in prize money. Two of the entertainments out on the playing field were also sponsored - with Gotelee and Goldsmith the solicitors providing a new cup and prizes for the fancy dress, and the insurers Royal and Sun Alliance funding the school performance.

Each year we try to improve the show; the new marquee has been a great success and we are always looking to increase the range of classes. But the costs are high and the help of all our sponsors is much appreciated, enabling us

to continue staging this traditional village event.

Other forms of sponsorship - advertising in the schedule and donating prizes for raffles has enabled the Grundisburgh Burgh & Culpho Horticultural Society greatly to reduce the loss we make on mounting the show (costs are high, including nearly £2000 for hiring the marquee). We are very grateful to the local companies who support us in this way.

The cups, presented at the end of the afternoon by Lady Cranworth, were awarded to:

Best entry in show - Sarah Farrow

Most points in 'beginners' classes (joint winners) - Gill Grimwood, James Grimwood
Best decorative arrangement of garden flowers - Pat Polley
Best decorative arrangement of sweet peas - Margaret Dunnett

Most points in flower arranging classes - Pat Polley and Kay Crown

One specimen rose - Marion Minns

Three HT roses - Steve Sim
Six pansies - David Hazelwood

Most points in flower, fruit and vegetable classes - David Warren

Three globe beetroot - David Warren

Most points in preserves classes - Dee Williams



Most points in baking classes - Libby Cooper

Most points in handicraft classes - Dorothy Davey

Most points in over 60s classes - Sally Doherty

Best photo in show - Heather Stiff

Children: under 5 - Alice Cox; 5 to 7 - Liva Garrod; 8 to 11 - Robert Attwater; 12 to 15 - Emily Marshall and Joe Grimwood

Fancy dress - Daisy Attwater (bunch of grapes).



Local organisations, invited to provide attractions outside the marquee on the playing field and raise funds on their own behalf did good business.

The show is run by a volunteer committee who are always looking for more helpers. To help support the show, we run three fund raising events a year, in addition to seeking sponsorship. The post show dance in the marquee organised by Richard Garrett is one of these - and this year brought us £468 and gave some 150 people a very enjoyable evening.

The last fund raiser of the season is an evening garden party at Grundisburgh Hall, by kind permission of Lord and Lady Cranworth on Friday 3rd of August. Tickets (£4) must be bought in advance - from Olde Forge Stores or from Libby Cooper (738330) or Pauline Coomber (738550).

The annual general meeting - to which everyone is invited to come and have a glass of wine and give their ideas and



SCENES FROM THE SHOW

Photos courtesy Peter Kendall



comments on our activities - is on Tuesday 25 September. This starts at 8pm in Grundisburgh Parish Room.

Nicola Hobbs, secretary, Grundisburgh Burgh & Culpho Horticultural Society, 01473 738267, hobbs@fast-mail.net



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MIDSUMMER MUSIC

The first ever Grundisburgh Midsummer Music, on Saturday 23 June, was a great success. In spite of the rain, which came and went in torrents during the afternoon, music continued from 2.30pm until 7.30pm.

Performing on the specially made stage were St Mary's Church Choir and Grundisburgh Primary School Choir, the established groups 'Dreams Within Nightmares', 'Automatic Impression', 'Baby Jane' and 'The Longdogs'. There was 'Carolle, Biddy and Co', who formed for the day, and Drew Cable who performed solo, plus Westrafelda Morris, Barrel Organist Paul Garwood and Mike Johnson on bones. Church organist John Cooper played Jazz Piano.

It was a wide variety of talent performing rock, pop, jazz, country, folk, classical, choral, Mozart on electric guitar Not only were there many different musical styles, there was a wide variety of age groups in the audience. The event certainly appealed to a very broad range of people.

The local musicians and performers all gave their time for free. There was BBQ food available all day, tea and cakes, a well stocked bar, and a fantastic draw offering prizes like a session at a local recording studio worth around £200 and a brand new Electric Guitar. An entire area was dedicated to games to keep the whole family busy as well. All the local children's groups were involved in some way.

The event was set in the beautiful grounds of Grundisburgh House with the kind permission of Fred and Lucy Ferguson, and raised approximately £1,500 for St Marys Church. The organisers would like to say a huge thank you to all the performers and background helpers that helped to make this event such a success. Maybe see you there next year?

Julia Bentley



Photos clockwise from top left:

Iain Langdon, one of the organisers, presents the top draw prize of a recording session at Planet to Helen, Leah and Luke, with 'The Longdogs' on stage behind; Grundisburgh School choir; Listening in the rain; Mike Johnson who played 'YMCA' on bones; The group Carole, Biddy & Co;

Drew Cable on classical electric guitar; Westrafelda Morris; The group Baby Jane; Tania Whitehead (left) who organised all the food, and helper Sandra Billings; Photos courtesy Ann Willetts

NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

Clopton Parish Council is delighted that the traffic mirror requested by Shop Road residents is now in place. It is hoped the mirror will assist drivers turning right out of Shop Road.

The parish council welcomes any comments but also reminds drivers to continue to use extreme caution when exiting from this hazardous junction. The parish council extends its gratitude to former councillor Chris Towndrow and Andy Gissing for their excellent work in erecting the mirror.

The Clopton Parish Plan has moved into the next phase during which a questionnaire will be delivered to every household in the parish. This will be your opportunity to have your say on local services and how you perceive the parish developing in the future. Please remember that if the questionnaire is not returned, your views cannot be taken into account.

The Parish Plan Steering Group is looking for more volunteers, so if you would like to help with this important project please contact any of the councillors who will be delighted to pass on your details to the Parish Plan Co-ordinator.

Clopton Parish Council currently has two vacant seats which can be filled by co-option. These are changing

times for parish councils with the likelihood that the principal authorities will devolve more powers to parish councils over the next few years.

Further information on joining the parish council can be obtained by contacting the chairman, Roy Compton on Ipswich 735495, any of the other councillors, or myself.

The next meeting of Clopton Parish Council is scheduled for Thursday September at 7.30pm in the village hall. All are welcome.

Janet Clarke, Parish Clerk, 01473 830398

News from the ladies group

Clopton Ladies Group will resume meeting on the first Thursday of each month in the Village Hall at 8 pm. We have a varied programme of speakers starting on 6 September with Glenna Trout talking about Face Reading. This will be a continuation from her talk last year. Please watch the local notice boards for further information.

Diana Dawson, 01473 737417

Strawberry Tea

Shortly before the Strawberry Tea was about to begin the sun shone and things looked good, so Doris Main set out all the tables with cloths, flowers and cushions



Youth shelter

Originally planned and built for the youngsters of Clopton to use, the shelter on Clopton Village Hall field is being well used by villagers of all ages. John Dawson designed and built it in kit form in his garden. Willing helpers, including the young people, who had helped fund raise for the shelter and picnic bench, erected it on a hot sunny day in the spring.

on the chairs, and then took her dog for a quick walk. Suddenly there was a terrific storm, and she and the dog were soaked. What was even worse all the cushions, cloths and flowers were dripping wet - all her work ruined.

However, the early visitors took cloths and wiped everything, the rain gradually eased - and then the sun came out and it turned out a lovely

afternoon with lots of visitors enjoying the lovely cakes and strawberries and cream. What is more, she made the magnificent sum of £355, including donations, for the church.

A big 'thank you' to Doris for all her hard work. We all thoroughly enjoyed it, and the garden looked wonderful.

Peggy Martin



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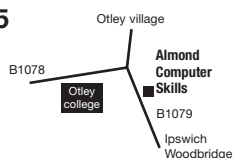


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LITTLE BEALINGS PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held on 9 July

Welcome leaflet and website:

The leaflet has been updated. Anyone wanting contact details for local groups etc can now also contact the webmaster via www.little-bealings.suffolk.gov.uk for information. Please also advise me or the webmaster of any changes to contact details for local groups.

Highways: Information was awaited from Suffolk County Council (SCC) on funding for white lining pinch points on the Martlesham/Playford Roads and on the permissive footpath to Great Bealings and related verge improvements. The need to resolve recent severe flooding on Martlesham Road would be raised with SCC and Suffolk Coastal District Council (SCDC).

Finance: Expenditure included an interim payment of £50 to the Parish Plan and £50 donation to the PCC to help

address dry rot at All Saints Church

Grove Farm, The Street - application for industrial and commercial units: The council resolved that its view on this application would be determined at a meeting to be held immediately after an open meeting on 20 July at which parishioners would be able to see the plans and speak to councillors.

Meeting held on 20 July

The Parish Council considered the planning application for for Grove Farm, The Street. One letter of objection, written on behalf of two residents, had been received by the council. Six parishioners attended the open meeting immediately before the council meeting, viewed the plans and made representations about the application to councillors.

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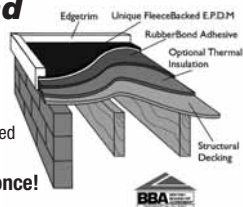
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was totally unacceptable, adversely impacting on the character and appearance of the area. Of especial concern were highway safety, the fact that the site is within an Special Landscape Area and the development would materially detract from the quality of the landscape, and that the development would not bring any benefit to the village.

Next meeting: 10 September in the Village Hall Committee Room at 7.30pm.

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WI reports

How often can it be said that the principal item of business at our meeting and then the invited speaker's subject are, fundamentally, much the same. Caring was the theme for Bealings Womens Institute on 17 May, although the recipients of the care differ greatly.

Our president, Joan Moon, gave us a very informative precis of the resolution to be debated at the forthcoming conference concerning the possible closure of community hospitals, so that she might vote according to our wishes.

A variety of concerns were voiced, we remembered well-loved places of care no longer functioning and opinions on the current state of affairs in the NHS, and our expectations of it, were expressed. The majority of members present were in favour of the retention

of community hospitals wherever possible.

Jane of Animal Rescue based in Debenham gave us a very fluent description of the work she and a few helpers have undertaken towards relieving the suffering of stray and unwanted domestic pets. Her distaste for irresponsible owners, who acquire pets and abandon them when it becomes inconvenient, was very clear. After care and rehabilitation, she hopes all the animals will be found new homes and welcomes enquiries.

Audrey Robertson

Group meeting

The Sackford Group meeting, hosted by Bealings WI, had an historical theme with a visit by costumed Tudor pottage cook, Gatty Harper, who mingled with guests from Bredfield, Deben, Grundisburgh, Hasketon, Playford and Woodbridge WIs. She joined them for supper which was brought to tables by Tudor serving wenches.

Pottage (hearty vegetable soup), apple and blackberry pie with cream, followed by cheese and oatcakes, were enjoyed. The speaker had brought many everyday objects and spoke of these and her life and times as a pottage cook at Kentwell Hall. Then a transformation, as the Tudor garments were removed to reveal Anne Tomkinson in her 21st Century t-shirt and trousers! She told of her role in the historical re-enactment days and life behind the scenes.

Jennifer Cook

BRIEFLY...

Two of the five shortlisted in best dining pub category in the competition run by EADT Suffolk magazine are in The News' patch: The Admiral's Head in Little Bealings and Grundisburgh's Dog. This competition is part of the Suffolk-wide food and drink awards, and the winners will be chosen by public votes. This can be done through the panels in the magazine, the Anglian or Star - or via www.eadt.co.uk and clicking on the food and drink link. Entries close on 10 August and the winners will be announced in October.

The Patient Advice & Liaison Service (PALS) is provided by Suffolk Primary Care Trust Local Community Health Services and is a free confidential information service. Its main aim is to resolve problems and concerns quickly before they become a major issue. It can provide information on NHS services such as GPs, dentists, podiatrists, opticians and pharmacists, and voluntary and support groups, as well as on health issues, such as smoking, healthy eating, drugs and alcohol. PALS is based at Stow Lodge Centre, Chilton Way, Stowmarket. The free phone number is 08003896819.

Otley College has welcomed its Ofsted report. This concluded that Otley is .. "a good and improving college". It also found that the college has "good leadership and

management", "a clear strategic direction" and "the college caters for a wide range of learners from both rural and urban backgrounds" and "they make a positive contribution to the work of the college and community".

Woodbridge 41 Club has a few spaces available for a coach trip on Thursday 16 August to Norwich (three hours) and Broads cruise (three hours). For further details contact Mike Stiff (01473 738393).

A special website, www.coastalpotato.co.uk, has been launched by Suffolk Coastal District Council with information about activities for the summer holidays and beyond for local youngsters. The design and naming of the website is the result of work by the district's new youth forum, Suffolk Coastal Teen Voices (SCTV) to make it both fun and attractive to young people. Each week throughout the summer holidays there will be the chance via the website to win some big prizes.

Suffolk Drug & Alcohol Action Team has appointed June Alexander as a 'public educator'. She is hoping to be invited to any gatherings - meetings, coffee mornings, WIs, PTAs etc - where she can spread the word in an informal way about all things related to drugs and alcohol. She can be contacted on 01473 260155, june.alexander@csu.suffolkkc.gov.uk or www.suffolkdaat.org.uk.

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Hasketon Highlights

How the 'summer' flies by! Our major June event in Hasketon was the Jazz and Barbecue Sunday at Shrubbery Farm which our host Gordon Smith writes about below.

We celebrated our carefully planned refurbishment of The Victory Hall with a party on 8 June, where Sam Jackson of Suffolk ACRE, who first put the idea into our heads, was a principal guest. Teams from Suffolk Probation have since put finishing touches to the redecoration of the hall, for which we are very grateful as the service was free to us. Now we have a very desirable meeting place for any club or society!

The Tug-of-War Tournament between local pubs and the Children's Sports afternoon will have come and gone by the time you read this, but the Village Fete is on 4 August.

Our future meetings in The Victory Hall include an evening of Archive Films on 14 September, a Ceilidh Dance with 'Inertia Reel' (for all abilities of dancers) on 12 October, and a talk by Felicity Lillingstone entitled 'Walking to the North Pole' on 9 November. Each evening will start with a Ploughman's Supper at 7.15pm.

Then on 1 December Norman and Pat Kerridge will again arrange our Village Christmas Dance, while the Young People's Dance will be on 15 December.

Richard L. Smith

Jazz on a Summer's Day (ho! ho!)

The day of our jazz and barbecue event dawned pretty showery and windy but around 350 people turned up to enjoy the usual good food and great traditional jazz. Many gazebos and other shelters were erected before so the band was dry and most folk had some cover.

We are grateful for the help given in the practical work and for salad and pudding donations from our sister parish of Grundisburgh, as well as the Hasketon locals. Although a few last minute bookings failed to arrive and there was much less call for ice cream and soft drinks than last year, we were still able to return a profit of over £3,000 for our parish church.

Please note Sunday 29 June 2008 in your diary's last page - it's bound to be sunny! Thank you to all who made it an enjoyable 2007 event.

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Otley Offerings

VILLAGE FETE A BIG SUCCESS

For once this summer, the sun shone on Otley Village Fete on 7 July. Well, most of the time! The fete had a wider range of attractions than in recent years and the promise of a warm afternoon brought out a bigger crowd than normal. Alex, Hubbard's finance director, opened the fete in cosmopolitan style with a speech in Italian, thoughtfully repeated in English!

Popular attractions included a test of skill in a mini digger provided by Holmes Plant Hire, a Punch and Judy show, archery, welly throwing and an incredible giant bingo game run from a full size cement mixer. Otley Gym club staged a high-calibre display, dodging between the heavy showers, whilst Otley scouts constructed a daring skywalk for all to try.

Teas, cakes and ice creams kept the crowds going all afternoon until the grand prize draw brought the afternoon's proceedings to a close.

After a swift rearrangement of the playing field, the evening's entertainment kicked off at 7.30pm with a live band,

barbeque and bar. An enthusiastic crowd danced the evening away, drinking the bar dry and eating every last scrap of food.

The fete raised over £1700, all of which will help finance the redevelopment of the children's play area in Otley.

Thank you to all those who worked so hard to make the day such a success - it would not have been possible without your dedicated support.

Anyone wishing to help stage next year's fete, please call me.

Ian Beaumont, 01473 890264

Tasting wine for charity

Otley Hall was the venue for a successful wine tasting event in June. Local hearing care specialists, The Hearing Care Centre of High Street, Ipswich, teamed up with Ipswich wine merchants, Wine Buffers, to organise the event.

Guests were presented with a blind tasting challenge, whereby they had to identify grapes, countries of origin, price and year of production without seeing the labels. By all accounts the success rate was not good, especially by



Wine tasters sampling Otley Hall gardens

the time the seventh or eighth wine was being poured. But just over £700 was raised for the charity Hearing Dogs for Deaf People on the night and the money is still coming in from resulting wine sales.

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Matthew Coward, 01473 228075

Information about events at Otley Hall for the rest of the summer are on page 3.

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Sporting stories

NEWS FROM THE FOOTBALLERS

With the football season in abeyance it has been time for Grundisburgh Football Club to look ahead and make preparations: not just for the coming season but also for the longer term future of the club.

The club is keen to grow stronger links with the local area and has identified ways in which it aims to do this through its 'Club & Community' programme. An eight page document sets out ways to take the club forward and focuses on the football club, the local community and the regional area.

We hope that closer relationships with local businesses and initiatives can bring benefits for both parties, and we have already seen a small taste of this with the penalty competition run by the club at the school fete and support of Gemma Lea from Swilland in her efforts to do charity work in Malaysia.

Over the coming season we hope to develop this and work more closely with local groups and businesses and, in turn, to attract more people along to the matches.

As part of this club members aim to decorate the pavilion and make it a more welcoming and hospitable place to spend

a Saturday afternoon.

On the playing side the club has been busy getting ready for the start of the season in mid-August with training nights starting again, and new equipment is appearing each week. This includes an innovative inflatable goalpost, which is easily portable, and other training aids to keep the players on their toes.

Darren Richardson



Mark Brightey, the stand-in keeper for the first team, with the new inflatable goal posts at a training session.

Summer tennis: special offer

Grundisburgh Tennis Club is now offering summer memberships to cover the school holidays.

This costs £10 for juniors, £13.50 for adults and £22 for a family. Court keys are loaned

out for a deposit of £10, but must be returned to me in September.

There are no club junior sessions during the holidays. Adults are welcome to join in the club sessions which are held on Sunday mornings and

on Wednesday evenings. Application forms can be obtained from The Old Forge Stores. The courts can be booked by non members via the stores at £7 an hour

Chris Lee, treasurer, 01473 735270, chris.j.lee@bt.com

Letters

Arthritis Research Campaign

I would like to thank most sincerely, the people who donated to the house to house collection in aid of ARC. The amounts collected were: Great Bealings £62.25, Little Bealings £151.70, Playford and Culpho £92.56, Tuddenham £89.74, Grundisburgh £93.35 and Winesham £106.50. The grand total raised amounted to £912.10. My grateful thanks to all the villagers who gave so generously.

Ian Craig, Treasurer, Woodbridge ARC

Christian Aid

Thank you to those who gave so generously in Christian Aid Week. Burgh £286.99, Hasketon £269.60 and Grundisburgh £1576.65. Thank you too to everyone who gave their time to deliver and collect envelopes.

Pat Fletcher

Tuddenham needs distributors for The News

After around 25 years I am retiring from distribution of The News. I was asked to help after moving to

Tuddenham when my connection with Grundisburgh was through my two daughters who were at the school there.

I remember Derek Hutchins (who wrote those evocative nature articles) delivered the bundles for me to distribute and I shared the delivery with other people in the village. Some of these folk have been real stalwarts whom I thank most heartily, and one or two have delivered The News for literally decades: Jacki Lugo (still distributing), Joan Bloomfield and Erica Lopez. There have been others who have helped and my thanks to them also.

As you may have guessed this note is an invitation to help with or take over organising the distribution of the six issues of The News a year in Tuddenham. If you are interested and would like to know more please contact me.

Colin Stewart, 01473 785362

The News is very grateful to Colin and the other Tuddenham distributors for their support. Ed

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Apologies for the current, we hope short term, problem with The News website which is not showing issue 199.

Help NEEDED with THE NEWS MAILING SERVICE

THE NEWS OFFERS A MAILING SERVICE FOR SUBSCRIBERS WANTING COPIES POSTED TO THEM. WE ARE looking for SOMEONE TO TAKE OVER FROM MOLLY BURRELL who HAS kindly BEEN ORGANISING this for SOME YEARS. THERE ARE CURRENTLY 31 people ON THE mailing list. ANYONE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING ON CAN EITHER CONTACT OUR ADMINISTRATOR Ingrid McIVOR OR MOLLY BURRELL. ENVELOPES AND STAMPS ARE PROVIDED.

We also want help with

- ✧ Following up news stories and writing articles about local people, activities etc - particularly in villages other than Grundisburgh.
 - ✧ Providing support to the editor in the week leading up to going to press (this need not be the same person each time).
 - ✧ Mailing copies to contributors, returning photos etc when issue completed.
 - ✧ We really also need one or more people able to use The News equipment (Apple Mac and Quark Xpress). If the editor can't work on an issue, there won't be one! Training can be provided.
- Please contact Nicola Hobbs 01473 738267, grunews@fast-mail.net.

ABOUT THE NEWS

Grundisburgh & District News is a free community newspaper produced by volunteers. Around 2,700 copies are distributed to homes and a range of central locations in Grundisburgh and 16 other villages (as listed on front page). Six issues are published annually.

Ideas, comments and contributions are welcomed: The Ford House, The Green, Grundisburgh IP13 6TA, grunews@fast-mail.net

When e-mailing please include 'News info' and indication of topic in the subject box. Photos can be sent as JPEGs or prints (please include self addressed envelope with latter if wanted back).

All items will be included in the internet version unless otherwise requested. This is usually available on www.grundisburghnews.org.uk.

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WALK TO WHITE HOUSE FARM

Walkers joining the July Grundisburgh & Culpho Parish Council walk had a special treat - a visit to White House Farm in Hasketon. This included a guided tour round this nature conservation project being run by the Sinfield Trust, and tea in the farmhouse kitchen.

The walks take place on the second Sunday of each month (except August) and are free and open to all comers. They set off from Grundisburgh Green at 2pm and usually last around two hours. The next ones are on 9 September and 14 October.

Much of the work at White House Farm is being carried out by volunteers. The flower and vegetable gardens are being restored using traditional methods. A barn has been converted by John Daniel and Hasketon resident Norman Kerridge for the 12 British White cattle which arrived in January (joined by a surprise 13th, born the day before our visit). Deborah Lacey and Nigel McKean from Burgh are keeping bees in the orchid meadow.

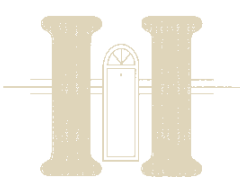
Bird and bat boxes have been placed on trees and posts - and a survey of birds carried out by an ornithologist from UEA.

Charlotte Daniel, the resident guardian at the farm (right) has been running nature retreat days which continue to take place on the last Sunday of each month (except December). Details of these and other developments, open days, etc. are available on 01394 382992, charlotte@sinfieldtrust.org.

Photos Peter Kendall, words Nicola Hobbs



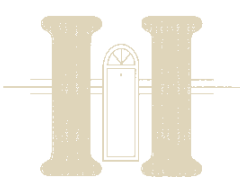
Footnote: If most of the photos in this issue seem to feature Grundisburgh it's because we received hardly any from other villages! Ed.



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