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### Notes from Bacton & Edingthorpe Parish Council

The Council has received feedback from the owner of The Duke Public House, in which they conclude 'There are only two viable options for the future use of the site. The first is to develop the whole site with change of use to residential and the second being leased for a long-term let to an experienced and financially sound operator who would glean revenue from all areas of the premises.' They also state that comments from various authorities as well as departments of NNDC in general support full development of the site to residential as opposed to leaving the pub empty to stagnate further. The general opinion from professionals is that the property will cost too much to return it to a first-class eatery and the returns in the longer term may not be enough to persuade an experienced operator to take a gamble. The property is to be advertised

"To Let" on the open market for a period of six months in the hope that an experienced operator with funds of in excess of £150,000 would enable the pub to trade again.

The Parish Council will keep you up to speed with developments as we receive them.

Bacton School now has a Defibrillator which has been installed by Heart2Heart and paid for by Shell, whom we thank. The Council donated £100 to this small but important charity.

Parking outside the School was drawn to the attention of the Council and we would ask all parents to be courteous when delivering and/or collecting their children and try not to obstruct the roadway.

The Council has been formally approached to acquire the pond belonging to Manor Lodge. Residents may be aware that the pond is not in good repair and that this might take some considerable amount of funding to get it up and running and manageable. It could be a good asset to the community however, it will

also need active volunteers on an ongoing basis to manage it longer term. If you have an opinion or are interested in assisting and have the necessary skills please let us know.

An application has been received by NCC to upgrade the access route for Watch House Lane. If anyone would like to complete an evidence form to state that they have used this route between May 2001 and May 2006 with a mechanically propelled vehicle, please contact the Clerk who will supply you with more information.

The Council are working with NNDC and NCC to achieve a drainage scheme solution for Keswick Road and it is hoped that an application to the NCC Parish Partnership Scheme for funding may be successful. The Council agreed to allocate £1,000 towards this with the project totalling around £10,000.

Multisports is continuing and as always, we thank those who participate and volunteer.

Christmas Party 2018 - yes that is already being arranged (!!!) - 9th December at the Village Hall - more details to follow. Norman Lamb's 2018 Village Tour will take place on Wednesday 29th August near to Bacton Superstore at 10.50am. If you would like to speak to Norman, please just turn up to this advice surgery.

The next meeting is the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on Monday, 10th September 2018 at 7pm in Bacton Village Hall Annexe. All are encouraged to attend.

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### Does Housing Matter to You?

Bacton and Edingthorpe Parish Council seek your views on an opportunity for Community-Led Housing. This is a project that could provide a small number of new affordable homes in Bacton for local people. These homes could help meet the housing need of people with strong local

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connections through residence, family and/or work in Bacton and its adjoining parishes.

Community-Led Housing can deliver other benefits as well as new homes, such as other community facilities or some income for the village to invest in things that matter to local people. The Parish Council would like your views to see if residents might support such a project in Bacton which could ensure the village remains a sustainable community.

To help residents find out more the Parish Council has arranged two drop-in sessions where you can:

- Find out about community led housing and funding from the Community Housing Fund

- Get information about affordable housing and who it is let to

- Suggest other benefits we could seek as part of a community-led housing scheme

- Give your views

The drop-in sessions are being held at:

Bacton Village Hall, Coast Road, Bacton.

- Wednesday 19 September, from 6pm-8pm
- Saturday 22 September, from 10am-12pm

Parish Councillors and North Norfolk District Council staff will be on hand to provide more detailed information.

Please come and give your views if you can.

**Bacton & Edington  
Parish Council**

**Witton and Ridlington  
Village Hall**

Just a reminder to all that there will be no Quiz in August as we will all be having a bit of a break.

Also, a reminder that there are no fitness classes at the Hall during August. First classes after the break will start on the 5th September. Information from Lynne on 650265.

The next Quiz and Supper will as usual be on the 4th Friday in September which will be the 28th at 7pm. Usual supper of baked potatoes, (as always big thanks to Steve at the Lighthouse Inn, Walcott for the potatoes), chilli, veg curry, (vegan), salads, sides, tea and coffee included in the price of £7.00 per person. Alcoholic drinks available at reasonable prices or bring your own. Raffle and prizes. £7.00 per person, Booking essential on 650265 or [lyric@clara.net](mailto:lyric@clara.net). Saturday 1st September is the date of our traditional annual flower and produce

show. This is your chance to come and view the flowers, vegetables, preserves, baked goods and arts and crafts produced by Witton and Ridlington residents. The show will be open to the public at 2.00pm on the day for refreshments, cream teas and raffle, and the prize presentations will be at 3.30pm.

All residents should have their schedules by now but if you need more or any advice about presenting your exhibits please speak to Richard on 650265.

Information about hiring the Hall from Richard as above. Have a good summer and thanks to all of you who come to our events. The Hall relies on your support to continue to provide a community resource for our village.

**The Village Hall  
Committee**  
**Lynne Hosking 650265**  
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**Yard Sales**

There will be at least 20 Yard Sales in Bacton on Sunday 5th August between 10am and 2pm. Just like last year it is a fantastic response. At the time of closing for newsletter copy there are 10 in Priory Road alone. Others are in Walcott Road, Keswick Road, Bromholme Close and

Newlands. If it's like last year, others will pop up on the day which is great. Let's hope the weather holds.

**Mike Booth, 651142**

**Witton Church Vintage  
Harvest and Flower  
Festival**

Can you help or be involved before and/or over the weekend of Saturday 18th August, 1pm-5pm and Sunday 19th August, 11am-4pm, please?

Cakes, Bric-a-brac, Tombola, Crafts needed, thank you. For any enquiries please contact

**Charles and Gillian Owles,  
650223**

**Fundraising for Wild  
Touch Wildlife Rescue  
Centre**

We shall be holding two events in August to help with fundraising for Wild Touch Animal Wildlife Centre. The team at Wild Touch do marvellous work and always need volunteers in many capacities and donations in both monetary and equipment form. The first event will be a Walking Scavenger Hunt with Clues and the second a Quiz Night in Bacton Village Hall. Walking Scavenger Hunt (in and around Bacton) - solve the clues and find the items to win the prize. This will

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# Diary Dates for August & September 2018

## August

2nd - Book Club  
5th - Bacton Yard Sales  
13th - Theatre GP Coffee Morning  
15th - Bacton Scavenger Hunt  
18-19th - Witton Church Festival  
19th - History Gp Archive Display  
29th - Norman Lamb's Village Tour  
31st - Quiz Night Bacton VH

## September

1st - W&R Annual Show  
5th - Fitness Classes restart W&R VH  
10th - B&E PC Meeting  
19th - Housing Consultation  
21st - Gardening Club  
22nd - Housing Consultation  
27th - Book Club  
28th - Quiz & Supper W&R VH

take place on Wednesday 15th August 2018, starting at 10.00am from the Playing Field in Bacton.

Fun Quiz Night (with optional fish and chips supper) in Bacton Village Hall on Friday 31st August 2018. Arrive at 6.30pm to meet some of the animals from Wild Touch before settling down to enjoy the rest of the evening.

For more information on either event please contact:

**Gill 652991/ 07837 004836 or**

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### Bacton Art Group

Following the sad loss of one of its founding members, Mrs Lynda Sommerville, last year, the members of the Bacton Art Group (BAG) unanimously voted to keep the group going, and it now consists

of around sixteen dedicated members, both men and women. The group is pleased to announce that it intends to continue with its annual Whitsun art exhibition, when member's artwork will be displayed and some offered for sale. The group also intends to hold various art demonstrations and art workshops throughout the year by guest artists, which will be open to other artists, depending upon number availability.

Bacton Art Group is a group of artists coming together every Monday afternoon, between 12:30pm and 15:30pm in Bacton Village Hall to paint and draw in a tranquil and creative environment - £2 per session with a free cup of tea or coffee. The group ranges in age and abilities, working in different

mediums; from coloured and graphite pencils, pastels and watercolours, to oils and acrylics. Some of our members belong to the Society of Amateur Artists. Whilst no formal tuition is offered, our members have a wealth of experience and are willing to share it. The group is open to anyone of any age and any experience and people are welcome to come along to meet us, see what we do and to ask questions, before deciding if they would like to join us. For further details contact Linda on 404804 or go to our website <https://bactonartgroup.wixsite.com/bacton-art-group>

**Bill Wilcox, 581542**

### Book Club

Those that managed to finish the long book by Barbara Kingsolver, 'Flight

Behaviour,' enjoyed it and our discussion encouraged the others to finish it too. This deals with an unusual phenomenon where Monarch Butterflies have flown in their millions to a southern mountain in the Appalachian instead of their usual breeding ground in Mexico. Scientists begin their investigations into whether this is a sign of climate change. The first to witness this 'forest of fire' is Dellarobia, a young mother attempting to flee her stifling life but sees it as a sign not to. Then ensues the dilemma of her impoverished farming family who had expected to sell the land to a logging company. Each character has a back story which colours their differing attitudes. Their characters and struggling lives are depicted through wonderful dialogue and Dellarobia's thoughts. Kingsolver has a scientific background and is a thorough in her research but this aspect of the book is very readable. We recommend this author.

We will not have had a meeting in July but at the one on August 2nd at 2:30 in the Village Hall we will discuss 'The Cement Garden' by Ian McEwan and 'The Past' by Tessa Hadley which both have four siblings as the core of

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their stories. We will also distribute 'Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine' by Gail Honeyman and 'Alias Grace' by Margaret Atwood. If you would like a copy of these and cannot get to the meeting, please get in touch with me. The September meeting will be on the 27th.

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### **Bacton-on-Sea Gardening Club**

Our Club outing to Cambridge Botanical Gardens provided us with so much interest on a lovely summer day. We came home with ideas for planting and were introduced to an impressive collection of plants from around the world.

The garden craft session with afternoon tea gave members the opportunity to chat while showing off their artistic skills, resulting in a colourful display of garden signs and painted stones. The next Club meeting will be on September 21st when we welcome Dr Ian Bedford to talk about 'Gardening to attract butterflies'.

Visitors and new members are always welcome. For more information contact Lyn Ross 07787 521151 or email [bactonosgardclub@gmail.com](mailto:bactonosgardclub@gmail.com)

**Linda Jenkins, Secretary**

### **Bacton & District History Group**

Our next meeting will be August 8th (7.30, Bacton Village Hall Annexe) when we will be preparing for our annual display of photos and archives in the Village Hall. This will take place in the main hall on Sunday 19th August, 11am - 3pm. Tea, coffee, soft drinks and cakes will be available. Entry £2

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### **Theatre Group**

New productions to consider are, 'Showtime Musicals' and 'Showtime Speakeasy' by Red Loft Theatre Company at Mundesley, both with a shared platter on the tables; 60s Party Night at Mundesley; 'What The Butler Saw' by Jo Orton and an evening with Richard Digance, both at Sheringham. If you are interested in any of these please get in touch for more details.

The 'Jersey Boys' musical lived up to expectations. According to those who went, the music was so familiar that some of the audience sang along which isn't what the group really wanted. It is a good story, detailing the rise of these working-class lads, but a lot

of the dialogue in the first half was lost to the hard of hearing. However, it was an uplifting show and apparently appreciated by the entire audience as it received a standing ovation. Two of our new members and I visited the Sewell Barn for 'A Month of Sundays.' The author, Bob Larbey, had written the TV scripts for 'A Fine Romance' and 'As Time Goes By' and so what we saw revealed more of his subtle wit. It is set in a retirement home and centres around one man and his relationships with his friend, nurse, cleaner and his reluctant family visitors. It contains a wonderful mix of pathos and humour. We were full of admiration for the main character who had the lion's share of the script and who delivered it with aplomb. Apparently the loop system for those with hearing aids is very good. Two members attended an hour of 'Graffiti Classics' at Sheringham and enjoyed the interactive style of the four musicians who combined joking and dancing and tricks with their instruments whilst playing them. I have seen this group in Covent Garden Market and remember it being good street entertainment. I was pleased to introduce two members to the Sewell Barn when four of us

attended an evening of 'Tomfoolery,' a compilation of Tom Lehrer's satirical and cynical songs cleverly and seamlessly linked by introductions from the cast of eight who were obviously having the time of their lives. Funny, shocking, thought-provoking, of their time (50s and 60s) but with some relevance to society today, these songs were performed with gusto.

Our next coffee morning will be on Monday 13th August from 10:00 in the Bacton Village Hall Annexe. September's date is yet to be decided so will be posted on the notice boards. October's date will be the 8th

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### **Mundesley Cinema**

Coronation Hall, 26 Cromer Rd, Mundesley. Doors open at 7pm when we serve refreshments and the film starts at 7.30pm. Tickets (on the door) £5.00.

Tuesday Aug 21st: Finding Your Feet (12) On the eve of retirement, judgmental snob Lady Sandra (Imelda Staunton) discovers her husband has been having an affair and is forced into exile with her bohemian sister (Celia Imrie) who lives on an impoverished inner-city council estate and meets her sister's

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friends (Timothy Spall, Joanna Lumley).

Tuesday, Sept 11th: The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society (12A) After WW2, a writer (Lily James) begins exchanging letters with residents of Guernsey and learns of The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society book club which was created during Nazi occupation. So starts her journey to the island to uncover more about life under German occupation. Schedule is subject to the film distributors making the films available.

For more information see [www.mundesley.org/film](http://www.mundesley.org/film), follow us on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/MundesleyVillageCinema](http://www.facebook.com/MundesleyVillageCinema)) or call 07710 046869

### **Mundesley Golf Club**

Situated on the rolling hillside of the River Mun valley with picturesque views over these hills and the North Sea it is one of the premier 9-hole courses in North Norfolk with 18 tees. The club established over 100 years ago, has deservedly gained the reputation as being an extremely friendly club. It is currently welcoming new players to join by encouraging beginners, newish golfers and experienced golfers. The club has a driving range (£1 for 30 balls) which is open to members of the public also club members. A very good place to start with the golf experience or to "get back into it". Mundesley Golf Club has a resident PGA professional whose great desire is to offer coaching to beginners and experienced golfers. He is one of the most qualified and best coaches in Norfolk, with video technology and very reasonable packages for all skills levels. For 2018 there is a holiday visitor

green fee of £50 for Monday to Friday golf, £85 all week and a monthly ticket for £170. Green fees are available for £30, 18 holes or £17.50, nine holes (before 1pm). Under age 18, £8 for 18 holes. New to Mundesley Golf Club rates are full membership £480. Then from £400 (ages 36-40 years) down in increments to £175 (ages 18-25 years). Junior rates are £50 (aged 14-17 years) and £24 (under 14 years). Second club membership is £295. These rates apply to the joining year. There are no tee times to book just turn up and play. For more information call Ryan Pudney the professional (01263 720095) or myself. Check out the web site at [www.mundesleygolfclub.com](http://www.mundesleygolfclub.com). Straight Drives!

**Terry McCallin,  
Mundesley Seniors  
Captain, 650828**

### **Showtime Volunteers Wanted!**

'Showtime at the Coronation Hall' returns in August continuing the Mundesley tradition of over 30 years of summer, seaside entertainment. Working in partnership with Red Loft Theatre Company, this Coronation Hall project aims to help keep live music and theatre at the heart of Mundesley village and will see local professionals and rising stars treading the boards with two new cabaret style shows.

We will be delivering a first-class experience to a dining audience of 100 per night - which is where we need your help. Coronation Hall is seeking volunteers who are able to give their time between August 9th - 11th and 16th - 18th, be it for a morning, afternoon, evening or more. We welcome individuals to help with tasks such as Shopping, Baking, Food Preparation,

Car Parking, Hall/Table Decoration, Food/Drink Serving, Cleaning, Raffle Organisation, Tidy-up, and Front of House duties. Volunteers will work as part of a team and most importantly, we hope, enjoy themselves. Overwhelmingly our 2017 volunteers said it was fun and a great way to meet neighbours and make new friends.

If you would like to share the magic of this musical extravaganza, to know more or join us, please contact

**Kathryn  
[showtimevolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:showtimevolunteer@gmail.com) 07710 046869 /  
01263 722381**

### **Showtime at The Coronation Hall Returns!**

It promises to be the "Cat's Meow"!

Dust off your 1920's wear and join us this August for an evening of Showtime Speakeasy swing, song and laughter. From the "frolic pad" that is Coronation Hall, Mundesley, North Norfolk, the highly applauded Red Loft Theatre Company returns with more cabaret style evenings that promise very splendid and stylish nights out!

More swanky fun is offered with Red Loft Theatre Company's production of Showtime Musicals. Back by popular demand, this cabaret evening of song and dance from your favourite West End musicals will be an unforgettable evening. Red Loft's troupe of young rising stars will have you dancing in the aisles and tapping your toes.

So successful and acclaimed was Showtime at The Coronation Hall 2017 that the artistes themselves are really going that extra mile to deliver 6 sensational nights. Joe Annison, who last year raised the roof with his spectacular Joseph

and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat, is flying over 4500 miles from his Dubai home specially to perform on the Mundesley stage. Whilst Emily Sidnell has chosen to sing and dance away her 18th birthday celebration which falls on Showtime's last night! What a swell party it will be!

Each evening comes with a freshly prepared light supper and licensed bar so you may sit back with a cool drink, relax and appreciate the shows. If you are a veggie, vegan, diabetic or have special dietary requirements the kitchen will tailor the evening's menu to your needs.

The two shows run from 9th - 18th August with tickets costing £17 including light supper.

Showtime Musicals: Thurs 9th, Fri 10th, Sat 11th

Showtime Speakeasy: Thurs 16th, Fri 17th, Sat 18th

For more information or to book see the website [www.redlofttheatre.com](http://www.redlofttheatre.com).

Telephone booking via Ticketsource on 0333 666 3366 (charged at £1.50 per booking). Tickets are also available from Mundesley Corner House Café.

Showtime at the Coronation Hall, Mundesley promises to be the North Norfolk cabaret style event of 2018 - one you'll remember and return to again and again. Book now as tickets are selling fast!

### **Message from the Police & Crime Commissioner**

Last year, a new legal duty for emergency services to collaborate came into force. That legislation provided PCCs with the opportunity to explore whether joint working between police and fire & rescue could be made simpler, faster and better. Could we cut duplication and bureaucracy, reinvigorate collaboration

and move joint working further and faster for the greater efficiency and effectiveness of our emergency services and, most importantly, the communities they serve? The answer from independent experts was yes.

Having considered all the evidence provided to me in a thoroughly researched business case, I strongly believe there is a case for change and I have launched a public consultation on whether I should assume the governance of Norfolk's fire and rescue service.

The fire service is currently governed by the County Council through its Communities Committee, which also oversees libraries, museums, archives and arts. Under the proposal, upon which I'd like your views, I would become the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner, responsible for the governance of fire and rescue alongside policing. The business case shows that this proposed change can improve joint working, making our emergency services more efficient with reinvestment of £10 million of financial benefits over 10 years in frontline services. Let me be clear - I am not interested in merger. We are talking about two distinct services, cultures, histories and traditions. That would not change. But a change of governance would offer our fire service operational and financial independence, improving

transparency over how and where public money is spent and allowing us to do even more to make our communities even safer.

I believe this is a better way of working for a safer Norfolk and I want to know what you think. Please visit my website - [www.norfolk-pcc.gov.uk](http://www.norfolk-pcc.gov.uk) - by 5 September to find out more and have your say.

**Lorne Green, Norfolk PCC**

## *You Write .....*

### **The Duke**

I have just received the latest Village News and agree wholeheartedly with David Moorhouse, it would be a tragedy to lose our only pub, but it does need the right people to run it and also the village community to use it!

I noted on the village Facebook page that people were selfishly parking on the road by the school causing an unnecessary hazard, also I'd like to see the vegetation cleared from the wall beside the pavement going uphill as, when wet, people have to walk in the road.

**Malcolm Banyer**

### **Re: #Plastic Free July**

I am in full support of Plastic Free July, but we would have more chance of making an impression if

some of our supermarkets did more. It may be a small thing, but in the words of one of our supermarkets, "Every little helps".

As a diabetic I use artificial sweeteners, and my choice is Canderel, which comes in plastic dispensers with 300 tablets, and a cardboard refill pack holding 500. I've had my dispenser for several years, and regularly buy the refill packs. However, I was unable to find the refills in Sainsbury's, and a staff member, (sorry, a colleague,) told me that they are no longer stocking the refills, so customers are forced to buy the plastic containers every time and throw them away when empty. Needless to say, I now buy my sweeteners at another supermarket.

**Norah Chown**

*Editors' Note: Carrying on the theme of reducing plastic waste, gardeners may like to note that we have been advised that Overstrand Garden Centre will recycle your plastic plant pots and trays.*

### **Oops!**

Pleasing to see the recent resurfacing work on the North Walsham Road. It would have been even more so had the 'cat's eyes' been installed correctly. Perhaps fitting them 'sideways' is a technical advance or is it a Chinese plot? Highways have been informed!!

**Bill Coombe**

## **Proposed Telecommunications Apparatus**

High Speed Broadband users may be pleased to hear that BT OpenReach are proposing to install a High-Speed Broadband Cabinet at Edingthorpe Green.

However, I was horrified to learn, recently, where they're planning to put it: on the triangle of grass at Edingthorpe Green, I understand, right next to the Edingthorpe (Silver Jubilee) Village Sign and the seat, and just across the road from the War Memorial. The green here is open, unenclosed, and the cabinet will stand out like a sore thumb. Could they possibly have chosen a worse place, visually speaking? Surely, they can re-think this? There do seem to be other suitable locations near by.

They don't need planning permission, but I'll certainly be making my concerns about the proposed location known to Rachel Line, at Norfolk County Council, Ketteringham Depot, Station Lane, Hethersett, NR9 3AZ ([rachel.line@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:rachel.line@norfolk.gov.uk)), and the North Norfolk District Council (their ref: IB/18/1086) at Holt Road, Cromer, NR27 9EN ([planning@north-norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:planning@north-norfolk.gov.uk)). Why not join

**Ian Witham**

## **DON'T FORGET!**

**THE NEXT VILLAGE NEWS WILL BE THE OCTOBER EDITION, SO WE WILL NEED YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS, DIARY DATES, ETC., BY 15TH SEPTEMBER.**

**HAVE A GREAT SUMMER**

**STEVE & KATE, THE EDITORS**





# Church News



## Beacon Church

Challenges come in all shapes and sizes. Some are imposed on us by circumstances or people; others are of our own making. Overcoming some challenges results in improved circumstances whilst there are times when we simply have to endure and get through it all. We often rightly support those going through such challenging times. On occasion, challenges force us to re-examine our views. Can I challenge you to consider changing your mind on how you view God? We are all thinking people. If we have views on the weather, fashion, sport or politics (and most people do!) we are thinkers. How we think determines how we view life. And we are all products of our past experience, at least to some extent. For example, I may follow sport because of great success at school, and so I attend sporting events with interest. What has been your experience of God? If you haven't had such experience, or it has

been negative, I want to encourage you to try something new: ask God how he sees you.

This may raise all sorts of questions - God welcomes enquiring and thinking minds. And so do we at Beacon. Bring your positive and negative experiences, and your questions!

**Jonathan Squirrell**  
**580018**

## St Andrew's Church, Bacton

We at St Andrew's hope you are all enjoying the lovely warm weather but let's pray the Lord will give us the shower of rain soon that the gardens and crop fields so need.

There will not be an Open Churches weekend in August this year as we have two weddings either side of Open Churches week, but our church is always open and all are welcome for a cool sit down and rest in this lovely old building.

We are planning at our Harvest weekend to have flower display and Harvest goods, as well as refreshments but the date

is yet to be decided so watch this space.

**Joan Etherington 536186**

## St Margaret's Church, Witton

We have been blessed with beautiful sunshine for many days now, but we really do need rain to fill the crops. There must be a happy medium somewhere! August is a busy month for the church with some special events taking place. On Saturday 5th - Sunday 12th Open Churches Week will be celebrated. This takes place all over the Diocese and gives access to church buildings that perhaps might not be open all the time. Do look out for the details in papers and posters, you might just find a gem.

On 18th and 19th August we will be holding a Vintage Harvest and Flower Festival in the church. For those who didn't see the Vintage Plough in the church on Plough Sunday, you will have the chance to have a good look at this event. The harvest will be gathered by a modern Combine

Harvester. There will also be a BBQ, Teas, Tombola, Cakes, Bric-a-brac and Crafts. We will also have a Flower Festival in the church, along with displays of photographs and Vintage Vehicles and Tractors, so quite a lot to keep everybody interested - something for everybody. Times of opening are - Saturday 18th August, 1pm - 5pm and Sunday 19th, 11am - 4pm. Everyone is more than welcome to come and have a look at these treasures. All proceeds and donations in aid of the Roof Repair fund. As always with events like this, success depends on helpers. If you think that you might be able to help by Stewarding, making and serving tea or making a cake(s) then please do contact us. A couple of hours would be most welcome as every little helps as they say.

It is promising to be a very interesting and colourful couple of days and we look forward to seeing you there. Jumping ahead to September, the Annual Church's Trust Cycle Ride

## Bacton Beach-side Accommodation.

Newly renovated and decorated 2-bedroom chalet available on Rainbows End Park, for holidays, weekends and short breaks. Four legged friends welcome.

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## Clifftop Inn Paston Road, Bacton

A family and dog-friendly Pub set within Castaways Holiday Park, overlooking the sea with steps to beach. Freehouse, extensive all-day menu, regular live entertainment. Amusement Arcade for all ages

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01692 650436 for more information

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takes place on Saturday 8th September. You can now walk, cycle, ride your horse or drive your car to get to as many churches as you can! Please contact Gillian Owles for Sponsorship forms. on 650223. You could also volunteer to steward in church to check in the intrepid riders as they arrive. Just as important! I do hope that you have a good summer, the schools break up soon, which releases the children from incarceration, but please be safe in whatever you do. And don't forget to wear a hat!

**Beryl Lodge, 650546**

### **St Peter's Church, Ridlington**

John assisted Catherine for our first service of the month, perhaps one of the best this year, aptly dedicated to St Peter.

The following weekend proved to be a very busy one. On the Saturday we had the wedding of Anne and Alex. We wish them well for the future, but wonder how they're both going to squeeze into that AC Cobra.

On Sunday, Richard and Vanda welcomed 125 people plus numerous dogs to their Open Garden. Although a very hot day, it was very much enjoyed by all those who visited and judged a great success by those involved. We have got to thank Tesco for kindly donating items for the raffle hamper.

Many of you will know Roger and Lesley who are sadly leaving the village. We have got to thank them for all the work they have done for St Peter's and other local churches.

Future services at St Peter's:-on the 5th August at 3pm we have 'Songs of Praise' then on September the 2nd at 3pm, the one

we've all been waiting for - 'The Blessing of the Animals'.  
**Ray Allcoat 651609**

### **All Saints' Church, Edingthorpe**

We are very grateful to Mr and Mrs Perry for inviting us to hold our Coffee Morning at their home last month. After an early shower the weather was kind and we were able to be in their lovely garden. Over £400. was raised for the Church and our thanks go to all who supported us by attending or helping with serving coffee and running the various stalls.

A reminder for 12th August for 'Edingthorpe Village Memories'. There will be display of old photographs, especially weddings, at the Church from 1pm. There will also be refreshments available. This follows a wedding on the previous day, so the Church will be beautifully decorated for that occasion. The afternoon concludes at 4pm with Songs of Praise. Please contact Margaret de Feyter 403182 with your choice of hymn or any photographs. The Harvest Festival service will be on 23rd September at 6.30pm when we hope all the grain harvest will be safely gathered in.

A date for your diaries is the Murder Mystery Evening at St. Benet's Hall, North Walsham on 13th October. Tickets from Jan Withers on 07535 125448.

If anyone has any news they would like included in the Church news please contact me.

**June Hannant, 402337**

## **Sunday Services at a Glance: August & September**

Church of England  
Coastal Parishes

Rev Catherine Dobson 650359

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Rev Eiler Mellerup 651393

### **August**

5th	10.30	Church Family Service	Bacton
	3 pm	Songs of Praise	Ridlington
12th	10.30	All Age Worship	Bacton
	10.30	Holy Communion	Witton
19th	10.30	Songs of Praise	Bacton
26th	10.30	Church Family Service	Bacton
	10.30	Morning Prayer	Witton

### **September (subject to change)**

2nd	10.30	Church Family Service	Bacton
	3 pm	Blessing of the Animals	Ridlington
9th	10.30	All Age Worship	Bacton
	10.30	Morning Prayer	Witton
16th	10.30	Songs of Praise	Bacton
23rd	10.30	Church Family Service	Bacton
	10.30	Holy Communion	Witton
30th	No details available at time of printing		

All Saints', Edingthorpe

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19th		No Service
26th	9.30	Holy Communion

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2nd		No Service
9th	9.30	Holy Communion
16th		No Service
23rd	6.30pm	Harvest Festival
30th		No Service

Beacon Church

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Jonathan Squirrel - 580018

Sundays 10.30 am All Welcome