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Bacton & Edingthorpe Parish Council Meeting 11th July 2016

The July meeting was attended by Rob Goodliffe of NNDC who updated Members on the various Coastal initiatives which are being investigated to protect the village. The Sandscaping initiative was outlined and it is envisaged that, in the longer term, this concept will develop, depending on the funding available from central Government.

Multisports continues and we are hoping that the weather is kinder to us. Numbers of children attending are encouraging and if you would like to assist as a volunteer please let us know.

The 'no unauthorized parking' signs have been erected at Edingthorpe Pond and land. We trust that this will discourage people from abusing the area as a car park! If this signage does not have the

desired effect, the Council may take alternative action. The Gardening Club's proposal for the 6 self-watering planters (not 5!) to be installed around the village at strategic locations was agreed. Although initial thoughts on this were that it was an expensive project to set-up, on balance it was considered that this would benefit the whole community and enhance the immediate area. The funds from this project have been allocated from the Glass Recycling income for 2015/2016 and the remainder from Council reserves.

If you would like to be involved with this community initiative please note that the lead partner on this is the Gardening Club, with the Council as a support partner. We are seeking a volunteer from Edingthorpe who may be willing to manage a planter within that part of our Parish.

The Members would like to thank the Gardening Club for bringing this proposal to the Council and we look forward to working in partnership on this.

The dog wardens are patrolling and checking the "old car park" and signage has been put up in order to assess and monitor the situation with regard to the disposal of dog waste.

If you have any ideas/projects or any comments regarding the management/running of your Council, please let the Clerk know.

We are ALWAYS seeking volunteers for various functions within the community - please contact us by phone, email or post to find out how you can help. This information will be forwarded to the Council for their consideration.

The next meeting is the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on 12th September 2016 - 7pm Bacton Village Hall Annexe. All are welcome to attend.

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Witton & Ridlington
Village Hall

Thanks to everyone who came to our Bangers and Bingo evening on the 11th

July. (Our next one will be on Saturday 11th October, £6.00 for sausage supper with home-made pudding, £2.00 for bingo only. 7.00pm for supper, 8pm for eyes down.)

Apologies to those of you who tried to contact us to book supper. As some of you are aware, due to storm damage at Ridlington, phone lines and computer connections were down at the time of writing. For the time being if you would like to book a table for our Quiz and Suppers on Friday 26th August and Friday 23rd September please phone Carol and Stuart on 651797. Our next event will be the Village Hall Fete on Saturday 6th August at 2.00pm, with BBQ, cream teas and other refreshments available on the day. This year we are hosting stalls from WI and St Peter's Church among others. (To book a stall,

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please contact the number above). We will also have various games of skill, a cake auction and a prize draw.

On Saturday 3rd September we will be holding our annual traditional Village Show. Witton and Ridlington residents should have received their entry forms by the time this newsletter is out for delivery. Please contact us if you have not received one by then. The show will be open to the public at 2.00pm for cream teas, refreshments and raffle and to enjoy the displays of flowers, plants, garden produce, craft work, baked goods and preserves. Prize presentations will be at 3.30pm. We're pleased to let you know both our churches, St Margaret's Witton and St Peter's Ridlington, will be open for visitors with refreshments from 10 am to 2 pm on the day making it a truly village event.

Lynne Hosking

Strawberry Teas

We would like to thank the village for their support of our event on Saturday, 9th July. Many of you enjoyed a free scone with strawberry jam and clotted cream with a cup of tea and/or delicious strawberries with cream or

dipped in the chocolate fountain.

The children loved the bouncy castle but it wasn't just the children who loved the face-painting.

The rain stopped, the sun shone and a good time was had by all. Look out for a similar event next year.

Wendy Blackman

Bacton Yard Sale

Is anyone interested in a Village Yard Sale again this year on August Bank Holiday Sunday between 10 - 2? If so please give me a ring.

Any donations and money from the sale of the maps will go to Marie Curie Cancer Care. Thank you

Pauline 650634

Book Group

A date for your diary: the September meeting will be at 2.30 on the 22nd. For more details on the books we will be discussing, or if you would like to join us, please contact me.

Sally Hogden 651085,
sallymh@btinternet.com

Bacton-on-Sea Gardening Club

By the time you read this we will have enjoyed Bacton Open Garden Day (further details of the event will follow in the next issue of



Open Gardens' Sneak Preview!

The Village News). We did have a sneak preview of what was in store at our last meeting when we took a gentle stroll around some of the gardens. It was a pleasure to see each other's little piece of paradise and talk about ideas and compare notes!!! We also enjoyed the delicious refreshments at Sugar and Spice. The 'Posy in a Jam Jar' was well supported and Sandra Hopkins won the prize for best arrangement (a difficult decision as each posy was uniquely beautiful). Our next meeting is not until Friday 9th September. We will meet at the Village Hall at the usual time of 2pm. We will then drive to North Walsham (car share, so no need to worry about

transport) to visit the wonderful garden of Lionel Ponder.

We have enjoyed meeting all the new members that have recently joined our group. Everyone is welcome - you don't have to live in Bacton!

Barbara Stackwood
(Secretary), 652909

Contact us at bactonosgardenclub@gmail.com. Sue Shaw (Chairperson), 651623, Barbara Stratfull, (Treasurer) 651236

Craft & Create

We are a thriving craft group who meets once a month (3rd Thursday) in the Annexe at Bacton Village Hall (7.30-9pm). We have tripled our numbers since the beginning and although we work hard

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Diary Dates for August & September 2016

August

6th - W&R Village Fete
 6th - 14th - Open Churches Week
 7th - 12th - Mundesley Festival
 12th - Bacton History Group Mtg
 14th - E'thorpe Songs of Praise
 15th - Theatre Gp Coffee Morning
 26th - Quiz & Supper, W&R VH
 28th - Bacton Village Yard Sale
 - BHG Display, Bacton VH

September

3rd - W&R Village Show
 5th - Back to School
 9th - Gardening Club Outing
 10th - Deadline for October VN Entries
 11th - E'thorpe Village Picnic & Concert
 12th - B&E PC Meeting
 19th - Theatre Gp Coffee Morning
 22nd - Book Club
 23rd - Quiz & Supper, W&R VH

at what we do, we don't take ourselves too seriously! Members have shared their craft and skills with us and we have dabbled in many including wet felt pictures, card making, fabric painted pictures, up-cycling challenges, needle felting and covered boxes. We also love a good natter over tea and biscuits.

If you would like to join us or would like more details, please contact me on the email address below

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Bacton History Group

More work in the Churchyard! We will be asking for volunteers to help us work on the Churchyard Burial Plan this month. Not so much hard

labour this time, more measuring and documenting names on gravestones - date to be arranged, look out for posters or phone me on the number below for information.

We are mounting another display of postcards, photos and documents in the Village Hall over the August Bank Holiday.

Our next meeting will be on August 12th.

Jo Arnold 652205/
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Theatre Visits Group

I have been going to live screenings of plays at Cromer cinema for quite a while and in July the theatre group decided to try this amazing medium. We saw 'Romeo and Juliet' directed by Kenneth Branagh and screened live

from the Garrick Theatre, London. The cinema was full, as it usually is for these productions, and the eight people from our group enjoyed it enormously. It was the first Shakespeare play for two people and they thought the filming of it enhanced their enjoyment and aided their understanding of the Elizabethan language. It was shot in black and white to portray the 1940s film era in which this production was set. We experienced the excitable, volatile behaviour of two opposing Italian families and the passion of young love by an accomplished cast of actors spearheaded by the wonderful Derek Jacobi playing Mercutio.

We do not intend to let these screenings prevent us from attending 'real' theatres but three that we are

considering are: 'The Deep Blue Sea' by Terence Rattigan, starring Helen McCory, from the National Theatre; 'Miss Saigon' from the West End; 'The Entertainer' by John Osborne starring Kenneth Branagh from the Garrick. Please contact me if you are interested in any of these which will be screened in the Autumn. Sheringham Little Theatre Summer Rep Company have a varied programme of plays including a thriller, an Ayckbourn farce, and Mike Leigh's wonderful 'Abigail's Party.'

In June ten of us saw 'I Have Been Here Before' at The Assembly House. This was an intriguing Priestley play dealing with the circular nature of time and the choices we make which determine our destinies. I now intend to read it to fully appreciate the characters as, being a bit deaf, I struggled to catch all the dialogue. The cast worked extremely hard but for once we felt the specific space of this venue rather slowed down the action.

The August coffee morning will be on Monday 15th from 10:00 and in September we will meet on the 19th. Please come along and see if there is anything you would like to see. If you cannot get to these please contact me.

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Mundesley Cinema

At Coronation Hall, 26 Cromer Rd, Mundesley. Doors open at 7pm when we serve refreshments and the film starts at 7.30pm.

Tuesday Aug 23rd - Please note screening on 4th Tuesday of month due to Festival - Eddie The Eagle (PG) 106 mins: The story of Michael "Eddie" Edwards, the notoriously tenacious British underdog ski jumper who charmed the world at the 1988 Winter Olympics. Axed from the Olympic ski team, British athlete Edwards travels to Germany to test his skills at ski jumping. Fate leads him to Bronson Peary (Hugh Jackman), a former ski jumper who now works as a snow-plow driver. Impressed by Edwards' spirit and determination, Peary agrees to train the underdog. Despite an entire nation counting him out, Eddie's 'never-say-die' attitude takes him to a historic and improbable showing at the Winter Olympics.

Tuesday Sept 13th Chick-Lit (15) 95mins: A charming comedy filmed in North Norfolk locations, starring John Hurt and a host of English actors. To save their local pub, 4 men decide to write a Chick Lit book following in the success of "Fifty Shades of

Grey". Things get complicated when the publisher wants to meet the young woman "author" - so the men, keen to keep their involvement secret, hire an actress.....

Tickets on door: Adults £4, Members £3.

Schedule is subject to the film distributors making available the films

For more information see www.mundesley.org/film, follow us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/MundesleyVillageCinema) or

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Mundesley Festival

From Sunday 7th August to Friday 12th August it's the Mundesley Festival of Music, Swing and Dance.

On Sunday, 7th August, start the Festival week with a swing and come and dance to the nostalgic girl trio, The Glamophones, singing their own jazzy style of 1940s and 1950s classic songs.

Tickets £8 from The Box Office, Mundesley Shoppers Car Park or tel. 01263 721189 or 07867 632998.

And then we have:

Monday - Jonathan Wyatt Big Band

Tuesday - acclaimed ventriloquist Steve Hewlett

Wednesday - The Ivy League singers

Thursday - The Union Gap

Friday - The Mike James Swing Band

All @ 7.45pm Coronation Hall, 26 Cromer Rd., Mundesley. For more information see

<http://www.mundesleyfestival.co.uk/>

Bacton Remembers WW1

The 15th September 1916 saw the loss of two local men during the Battle of the Somme.

Born in 1863, Lieutenant Colonel Arthur Paston Mack was the youngest son of John and Susanna and grew up at Paston Hall. He retired from the Suffolk Militia with the rank of Captain, in 1886, after which he went to Egypt, becoming a well-known 'Pioneer of the Desert'. Back in England, at the outbreak of WW1 he volunteered for Imperial Service and was gazetted as Captain of the 9th Battalion Suffolk Regiment. From August 1915, he was serving with the British Expeditionary Force in France and by June 1916, had been promoted to Lieutenant Colonel. Lt Col Mack was Killed in Action at Ginchy and subsequently mentioned in Dispatches (London gazette 4th January 1917) by General (Now Field Marshall) Sir Douglas Haig, for gallant and distinguished service in the field. He is commemorated in St Andrew's Church,

Bacton and St Margaret's, Paston.

Marshall Frederick Gotts, a Private in the 9th Battalion Norfolk Regiment, was born in Bacton, the son of James and Harriett Ellen Gotts (née Spinks) in April 1897. Young, but eager to enlist, he joined the Norfolk Regiment on the 12th September 1914, giving his age as 19 years 166 days old. His real age was only 17. He was Killed in Action at Battle of Flers-Courcelette which was the first battle in which Tanks were used. It is most likely that Marshall was fighting side-by-side with these Tanks, which may have inadvertently been the cause of his death. An extract from Lyn McDonald's book 'Somme' tells us that '*They had planned to send three tanks into subdue the Quadrilateral 20 minutes before the troops went over at zero hour. One tank broke its tail on the way up. Another developed engine trouble. The third appeared but, unlike the solitary tank which so dramatically subdued the Germans resistance at Delville Wood, it made a tragic error. Lurching along beside what its crew took to be a Germans' frontline trench they sprayed it with machine gun fire. The trench was packed with soldiers. The kill was enormous. But it was a*

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British assembly trench and the soldiers were men of the 9th Norfolk's waiting to go over the top.' It is not known whether Marshall was a victim of so-called 'friendly fire' or enemy action, but he is remembered nevertheless.

**Kurtis Gale, Chairman
BHG**

Can You Help?

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Have Your Say

Police and Crime Commissioner, Lorne Green, is asking Norfolk people to share their views and help shape his Police and Crime Plan.

Until 12 August, Lorne is running a short online survey which asks about the crime and policing issues of most concern to Norfolk's communities. Lorne will also be out and about across Norfolk speaking to people, groups and organisations about their views and experiences of crime and policing in the county.

"My Police and Crime Plan will set out how we, as a county, tackle crime and disorder between now and 2020. You can have your say on what should be in it by taking my two-minute survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TellLorne>

If you would prefer to complete a hard copy or require the survey in another format, please contact the PCC office on 01953 424455. You can also choose to give your views over the phone, by emailing TellLorne@norfolk.pnn.police.uk or by writing to Lorne at OPCCN, Building 8, Jubilee House, Falconers Chase, Wymondham, Norfolk NR18 0WW.

Village News Reminder

Just a reminder that we will need entries for the October issue (sorry to get so far ahead!) by no later than 10th September. Apologies for the inconvenience.

Have a great summer!

Kate & Steve

You Write

See You in September!

This is to let those of you who come to my Pilates, Stretch and Tone, Strength and Balance classes and Drawing Group know that there are no classes from 31st July until the week beginning Monday 12th September.

Last Drawing Group, Stretch and Tone Class and Pilates Class at Witton and Ridlington was on Wednesday 27th July. Back on Wednesday 14th September.

Last Stretch and Tone Class and Strength and Balance Class at Walcott and Pilates Class at Witton and Ridlington was on Thursday 28th July. Back on Thursday 15th September.

Last Pilates Class at Walcott was on Friday 29th July (9.30am to 10.30am). Back on Friday 16th September. (normal time of 10.00am to 11.00am).

Have a good summer and see you all in September.

Lynne Hosking

PUBLIC NOTICE: Witton & Ridlington Village Hall - License Application

Witton and Ridlington Village Hall Committee is seeking a variation to the premises licence for Witton and Ridlington Village Hall, Stonebridge Road, Witton NR28 9TU, to sell alcohol at Village Hall events from 12:00 to 22.30 on any day of the week where an event supervised by the Committee takes place.

If you wish to object to this application written representations with full contact details should be made to the Licensing Authority below:

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Message From the Editors

We have received a response to the letter regarding speeding along the Walcott Road. Unfortunately, neither the

sender's email address or given name appear genuine so we have decided NOT to print it. The contents have, however, been passed to the author of the original letter.

Please note that all communications to the Village News, especially if for publication, must include the sender's name and contact details. We can, of course, withhold them on

request or if we feel it is appropriate to do so. As ever, the editors' decision is final.

✝ Church News ✝



Enjoying the Strawberry Tea at the Beacon Centre

Beacon Centre, Bacton

The word 'celebration' can resonate with us in varied ways. It could remind us of weddings - 3 of our children got married within 8 months this year, so plenty of celebrating. You may think of chocolate assortments, or perhaps it was Cliff singing at Wimbledon all those years ago. But did you realise that God loves to celebrate over His children? As we often connect celebration with music this Bible verse comes alive: The Lord will rejoice over you with singing. Perhaps you have trouble with the idea that God celebrates at all or particularly that He desires to celebrate over you. Sometimes our own lack of self-worth gets in the way. If this intrigues you, ask God to show you how He

celebrates over you. Or join us at our weekly celebrations at Beacon Church. We would love to see you.

Jonathan Squirrell
580018

**St Peter's Church,
Ridlington**

The theme for July's service was summer and the holiday season - the magic of the seaside and those long hot summer days (or lack of this year). Precious moments in time for us all. The service proved a veritable calm after the previous evening's storm. Roger read that fine poem 'Time': 'What is life if full of care we have no time to stand and stare', well we all need to find a little space in our ever hectic life sometimes. The next service is the 7th August and is to celebrate

our church building (exciting times for St Peter's) which, like all those in our parishes, has provided a place of hope, refuge and inspiration for hundreds of years. Please come along. September is the Animal Service, which should be good fun, and that is on the 4th.

Ray Allcoat 651609

**St Andrew's Church,
Bacton**

St Andrews Church will be open as part of Open Churches Week on 6th and 7th August. There will be flower displays on the theme of light, with bible text, and a display of Bibles, old and new. Refreshments - tea, coffee and cakes - will be available on Saturday, 10am -4pm and Sunday, 12pm -4pm. We have a lovely old church in our village so why not come and have a look round. Everyone is welcome (no charge but donations are always welcome). The Church grounds are slowly being cleared of the long grass around the grave stones by volunteers, At this time of year the grass grows so quickly but thank you Lord for this lovely part of England, with sea and countryside so close to us and Holiday makers joining us at our services. A date for your diary - we are having another Harvest

Supper this year in the Village Hall on 1st October. Posters will be around the village in September. No charge as last year but donations welcome. Our Harvest Festival at St Andrew's is the next day, Sunday 2nd October and all our Harvest gifts go to the Night Shelter Norwich. Contact me if you would like to book a table for the supper.

Joan Etherington, 536186

**St Margaret's Church
Witton**

The summer seems to be racing away from us without the glorious sunshine that we all crave. But I'm sure that we WILL get some - sometime. We have had a busy time at St Margaret's, with work progressing on the bell and tower. Update on work, the bell is currently still in the tower but not hung, when a new frame is constructed it will be returned to its rightful place and will ring out loud and clear once more. It will then be audible from quite a distance which hasn't happened for a good few years. The engineers from the world-renowned Whitechapel Bell Foundry will ensure that we can once more hear this treasure. We recently had a service of Baptism, (the first for some time) when Andrew

was welcomed into the family of our church. It was a really joyous occasion and was quite special. Our congratulations to him and his family.

We also have a wedding coming up on the 6th August, and we wish Philippa and Christian congratulations. We hope they will be very happy as they move into their new house in the village.

As this is a double issue of the Village News, we have some dates for your diary so pens at the ready.

6th to 14th August: Open Churches week when most, if not all, of the churches in Norfolk will be open, putting on displays and interesting events. There is a directory on the Diocesan website if you wish to search: <http://www.dioceseofnorwich.org/>

Harvest Festival at St Margaret's will be on the 9th October at 10.30am. Contributions for the displays will be most welcome.

I hope that you all have a great summer and manage to re-charge your batteries ready for the coming season!

Beryl Lodge 650546



Bargain Hunters at the Strawberry Tea

All Saints' Church, Edingthorpe

The village Songs of Praise at All Saints' will be on Sunday, 14th August at 6.30 pm, followed by refreshments. This event will present an opportunity to meet our new curate, Rachel Dines, who will be taking the service. If you have not yet submitted your list of favourite hymns, there are still forms available at the church. These can be completed and left at the church or with Jan at Honeytop Farm, Clay Lane.

On Sunday, 11th September, at 4.30 pm, there will be a Village Picnic at All Saints', followed by songs from the well-known singer, Emma Nuule. Tickets @ £8.50 are available from Jan on 403432, or any committee member.

Further ahead, on the 22nd October, there will be an, as yet undisclosed, event at St Benet's Hall. Details will follow in the next issue of the Village News.

Geoff Thomas, 405263

Sunday Services at a Glance:

Coastal Parishes

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Rev Eiler Mellerup 651393

August

Sun 7th	10.30	Church Family Service	Bacton
	3.00 pm	Celebration Service	Ridlington
Sun 14th	10.30	All Age Worship	Bacton
	10.30	Morning Prayer	Witton
Sun 21st	10.30	Songs of Praise	Bacton
Sun 28th	10.30	Holy Communion	Bacton with Walcott
	10.30	Morning Prayer	Witton

September

Sun 4th	10.30	Church Family Service	Bacton
	3.00 pm	Animal Service	Ridlington
Sun 11th	10.30	All Age Worship	Bacton
Sun 18th	10.30	Songs of Praise	Bacton
Sun 25th	10.30	Holy Communion	Walcott with Bacton
	10.30	Holy Communion	Witton

All Saints', Edingthorpe

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August

Sun 7th		No Service
Sun 14th	6.30 pm	Songs of Praise
Sun 21st		No Service
Sun 28th	9.30	Holy Communion

September

Sun 4th		No Service
Sun 11th	9.30	Morning Prayer
Sun 18th		No Service
Sun 25th	6.30 pm	Harvest Festival

The Beacon Centre

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