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Village News

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The Village News is Changing!

The current software used to prepare the Village News each month is no longer supported so we are taking the opportunity to revamp and re-launch it.

To keep the newsletter relevant, we would really welcome suggestions from everyone, young and old, to revitalise the content so please feel free to email or text us with any thoughts. Some suggestions so far include

- Change of format to an A5 booklet
- Greater use of colour
- Wider variety of articles (eg. recipe of the month, sales & wants, photo submissions, short snippets of local info, etc.)
- Wider range of advertising opportunities for businesses
- Change of name

We would also welcome any suggestions for better integrating the paper and on-line content, whether

through our Facebook page or the VN website - or other media. Our target for the re-launch is the Feb 19 issue, so please help us by sharing your ideas and suggestions. We plan to make the re-launch an agenda item for our Annual General Meeting, which takes place in November and hope to be able to share the new look with all who attend. Please see the November issue for the date. We can be contacted by text on 07918-056179 or Email us at bactonvillagenews@hotmail.com

Kate & Steve, Editors

Notes from Bacton & Edingthorpe Parish Council

Community Housing Drop-in sessions were arranged on Wednesday 19th September 6-7pm and Saturday 22nd September 10-12pm, to allow residents the opportunity to understand the process and provide comments. We hope that you took part. Parking outside the School was drawn to the attention

of the Council and we would ask all parents to be courteous when dropping off/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 will take some considerable amount of funding to get it up and running and manageable. It has therefore been decided that the Council will not adopt it. However, if there are volunteers who would be willing to take this on, please let us know.

The Council has applied to the NCC Parish Partnership Scheme to consider a drainage scheme for Keswick Road but the outcome will not be known until April 2019. We hope this will alleviate flooding in future along the Coast Road as experienced during the last tidal surge.

Multisports was a great success and we look forward to running this project again next year. The cost of this is covered by the Parish Council and the Bacton Gas Terminal Complex. The charges amount to just over £1,200. Don't forget the Bacton & Edingthorpe Children's Christmas Party 2018 - yes this is already being arranged!!! - Sunday 9th December at the Village Hall - more details to follow.

The next meeting is the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on Monday, 12th November 2018 at 7pm in Bacton Village Hall Annex. All are encouraged to attend.

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Bacton Village Hall

Our next Quiz and Chips will be held on Saturday 24th November, 7pm for 7.30pm start. Fish and chips optional, bring your own drinks. Everyone welcome. If you're thinking of having a function, party, meeting etc or even starting up your own group why not come along to Bacton Village Hall and see what excellent

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facilities we have to offer at a very reasonable cost. You can choose the Main Hall which has a fully fitted functional kitchen or, for smaller groups/parties, the Annexe which has smaller kitchen facilities. Tables, seating, crockery, cutlery, glasses are all provided.

The hall is used by a variety of groups meeting weekly, bi-weekly and monthly - Garden Group, Badminton, History Group, Art Group, Material Girls, Craft and Create, Line Dancing, Medau, Book Group, Little Pirates, to name but a few, so why not get in touch to find out more information and perhaps try a new activity!

If you require further information, please contact Booking Secretary, Barbara Stratfull, on 650774 or email bstratfull@btinternet.com or me on the number below, otherwise visit the website www.btck.co.uk.

Jaine Shepherd, 650511

Witton and Ridlington Village Hall

Thanks to all of you who came to view the exhibits in our Village Show and thanks to all the villagers who entered their produce, baked goods, crafts and flowers. We are a very small village so well done to all

the residents who took the trouble to nurture their plants in what was a difficult growing season and produce the lovely baked goods, preserves and art and craft items on show.

This year, women triumphed in all categories of the show with Lyn Ross as the overall winner of the £25.00 garden voucher prize. To those of you who have not yet visited our hall it is a bit of a hidden gem and as well as hosting events such as the village show and lunches throughout the year provides a venue for W.I. meetings, Parish Council meetings, fitness classes and polling.

The Village Hall is also available to hire for social events such as children's and adult parties as it has a fully equipped kitchen, off-road parking, tables and chairs. We offer special rates to residents and very reasonable rates for all regular and one-off hirers.

If you are interested, please get in touch with Richard on 650265 and arrange a visit. If you're not sure where we are you can also email us and we will send you details and a map.

Contact me for weekly Pilates and Stretch and Tone classes.

Our next Quiz and Supper is on 26th October at 7pm. £7.00 per person for baked

potato and chilli supper, (vegan alternative available) with salads and sides, tea and coffee and nibbles. BYO alcoholic drinks or buy from us on the night. Tables of up to 6. (Booking is essential on 650265 as capacity is limited.)

Lynne Hosking 650265

lyric@clara.net

(1st prize for jam tarts and scones in the Show this year!)

Bacton Sandscaping Project

If you have walked down the coastal path, you will have seen information board about The Bacton to Walcott Coastal Management Scheme, which is designed to protect the Bacton Gas Terminal and nearby villages of Bacton and Walcott by raising beach levels. The information boards on the coastal path show a mock-up map of how much wider the beach will be and it is anticipated that the improvements will last 20 years which will be a great asset for both villages.

North Norfolk District Council have now gone through a consultation exercise and final approval should be received this Autumn, with work starting

in Spring 2019. The council is also looking at how to provide for the increased visitor numbers that the spectacle of the works and the new beach will attract, including parking. We will try to keep you updated with any major milestone in the coming months.

Steve (Co-Editor)

Bacton Yard Sales

What another fantastic response to the Yard Sales. August 5th broke as one of those gorgeous summer days we have enjoyed this year as people set up for the 10am start. The earliest report of a customer was 0745!! We understand there were approximately 35 yard sales around the village, a 50% rise on last year and the people I chatted to on the day and afterwards had had a great response. The Yard Sale for 2019 will be on Sunday August 11th so put that in the diary (when you get one!). There have been a couple of people suggest that we could do two in 2019 and, if we do, the first will be Sunday May 12th. Keep watching the Village News for more info. Thank you to everyone who took part and to those shoppers who bought.

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Diary Dates for October 2018

6-7th Bacton Harvest and Flower Festival	13th Edingthorpe Whodunnit Eve
7th Ridlington Harvest Festival	20th Blue Welly Barn Dance
8th Theatre Grp Coffee Morning	25th Book Club
12th Gardening Club	26th W & R Quiz and Supper

Blue Welly Farm Barn Dance

David and I are hosting a Barn Dance to raise money for 2 charities close to our hearts; R.A.B.I and Sandcastles Pre-school. We have The Whirligigs Ceilidh Band playing, a pay bar with Blakey's Bar and of course free Hog Roast. All for £17.50, kids go free!! So come join us not just as a fundraiser but a celebration of us, the farm and all we have overcome!!

Saturday, October 20th, 7.30 'til late. Book your tickets now!!

Call me for tickets or more details

Elizabeth Ottley, 07765 571838

Book Group

We had a very successful meeting in August. We

found the 'Cement Garden' copies of 'Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Well' by Gail Honeyman and 'Shylock Is My Name' by Howard Jacobson. We will discuss these on Thursday 25th October at 2:30 in Bacton Village Hall. Please contact me if you would like copies or just turn up to the meeting and help us decide what to read next.

**Sally Hogden 651085/
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Bacton Gardening Club

Gardening is always interesting, therapeutic and challenging through the changing seasons. This year we had the 'Beast from the East' and our Sahara-like summer, so now is the time to "Reflect to Perfect" our gardens for the future. Consider more winter protection and perhaps growing more plants that are drought-resistant, together

with caring for the soil by adding additional compost to make it more water retentive is good preparation for predicted changing weather conditions.

Autumn is also the perfect time to collect seeds, divide and cut plants back while the soil is still warm and protect plant crowns with compost in case we have another bad winter. Our next Club meeting on October 12th will be a practical session building insect and bug hotels!

For more information contact Lyn Ross 07787 521151 or email bactonsgardenclub@gmail.com

Visitors and new members are always welcome.

**Linda Jenkins, Secretary
Theatre Group**

Coming up in October we have 'Still Alice' and 'The Bank Robbery That Went Wrong' at The Theatre Royal, 'Handbagged' at the Sewell Barn and 'Sherlock Holmes' at the Playhouse. If you would like information about these please contact me. We are also booking for 'Guys and Dolls' at the Theatre Royal. This is being performed by the Norfolk and Norwich Operatic Society in January, but it is as well to book in advance.

The Musical Speakeasy evening at Mundesley

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performed by Red Loft Theatre Company was a great success. We sat informally around tables, there was a bar and we shared platters of food at the interval whilst chatting to our neighbours. The music was mostly cabaret jazz with some comedy songs and some outstanding tap dancing to add variety. The items were linked by a confident and witty young man.

I have yet to hear how the '60s Party Night' and the evening with Richard Digance went.

Unfortunately, Jo Orton's 'What the Butler Saw' at Sheringham Little Theatre was replaced by a Ray Cooney farce and nobody from the group attended.

Our next coffee morning will be on Monday 8th October from 10:00 where we will look at what else is on offer at the various venues. Please come and join us then or contact me for details if you cannot attend

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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, 9th October: **Goodbye Christopher Robin (PG)**. After leaving London for the English countryside, writer A.A. Milne starts to spin fanciful yarns about his son's growing collection of stuffed animals. Milne and his family soon become swept up in the instant success of the books, while the enchanting tales bring hope and comfort to the rest of post-war England. Schedule is subject to the film distributors making the films available.

For more information see <http://www.mundesley.org/film.html> or follow us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/MundesleyVillageCinema)

Healthwatch Norfolk

Do you have something to say about health and social care services in Norfolk?

As the independent consumer champion for all health and social care in our region, Healthwatch Norfolk is keen to hear about your experiences of using local services.

Whether you are a patient, family member, carer, or work within the sector, anyone can share their views. Simply visit www.healthwatchnorfolk.co.uk and find the service you'd like to review on the 'share your experience' page.

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Alex Stewart, Healthwatch Norfolk's chief executive said: "Health and social care in Norfolk is undergoing huge transformation, with greater focus on delivering more services in the community. Your voice really can make a difference".

For more information, contact Chris Andrews, Engagement Manager, Healthwatch Norfolk. [chris.andrews@healthwatchnorfolk.co.uk/](mailto:chris.andrews@healthwatchnorfolk.co.uk) 01953 856029

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Richard Kimble Bacton

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Josie, the owner of Wayside (on the corner of Walcott

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Road and Coast Road) had two major strokes in April of this year. She is having to modify her house in Sheringham to meet her new care needs and will no longer be able to come to Bacton. Although it breaks her heart, her house here will be going up for sale. Josie said she very much regrets having to leave Bacton and all her friends here. She would like to thank everyone for their kindness over the years. I am sure everyone joins us in sending her our very best wishes.

The Editors

Re: Oops! Should have gone to S*Savers!**

My apologies to Highways and their staff. It seems that a new type of road centre markings are being installed instead of the traditional 'cat's eye'. My only excuse is that my view was made from a moving vehicle - 100% for observation - 0% for accuracy! The late Percy Shaw's estate may be seeing a reduced income!

Bill Coombe

Petition

Just a very big Thank You to everyone who signed my petition for Coast Road to be repaired as a matter of urgency. I have now sent it off to the relevant authorities with the support

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of Norman Lamb, our local MP.

Peter Shepherd

Seagull Field

Having spent part of the summer walking around Bacton I felt that I wanted to share what a delight Seagull Field has been with its display of wild flowers in all their glorious colours and varieties. Even on 1st September there was a fine display including some stunning red poppies.

Judith Smith

diverse people from all over the world. Some people travel for business, others for pleasure. But everyone is on a journey somewhere. Even if we are not travelling to another destination, we are nevertheless 'journeying' through life. Just like flying, some journeys are problem-free, but many include all sorts of challenge. The key to a successful life journey is knowing who you are travelling with. Over a lifetime of walking with God I have found Him to be the best companion of all. There are delays, cancellations and rough weather, but He has always proven Himself to be reliable and true.

Even if you never fly, or leave your home area, make sure you are travelling with the right person.

*Jonathan Squirrell
580018*

St Andrew's Church, Bacton

Our Bacton Harvest and Flower Festival Weekend is 6th - 7th October. Come and see the church decorated for Harvest, thanking Our Lord for the produce grown through the summer months for us to enjoy, as well as the Autumnal flower displays. Open from 10am to 4pm, Saturday and 12pm to 4pm on Sunday.



Beacon Church

I'm sitting in an airport departure lounge as I write this copy. Airports are interesting places, full of

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Our Harvest Festival Service is 10-30am on Sunday 7th. All good gifts around us are sent from Heaven above'.

Joan Etherington 536186

St Margaret's Church, Witton

The Witton Vintage Harvest & Flower Festival was a great success and we would especially like to thank Graham Kirk and his team, the Worstead Flower group, Richard and Lyn on the BBQ, the hard-working ladies who served the teas, those manning the stalls and the cake bakers. Also thanks to Nigel and Simon for their hard work!

The weather was with us, it was good to see the old Binders and combines in action once again. Who knows, there may even be a chance to make some bread from the 1950's wheat variety Atle, that was grown and harvested for the event!

Thank you to all who came and supported the event, we hope you enjoyed the weekend. £2,877 was raised for the Roof Repair Fund. Work should have started on

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the roof by the time you read this.

**Charles & Gillian Owles,
650223**

Editors' Note: We understand Beryl is currently quite poorly and we send her our best wishes.

**St Peter's Church,
Ridlington**

It is now official - if we have not already reached the point of no return, we are very close to it with regard to climate change. We cannot depend on the politicians and the likes of 'Kyoto agreements', at best these are only superficial and only window-dressing, at the end of the day, so it's down to us, as individuals to make a difference.

We like to think that the definition of the word 'Christian' is not only a believer in Jesus Christ but also someone who cares, that is cares not only for his or her fellow mankind, but for all of God's creation, including his greatest creation - the planet.

But returning to matters of a more mundane nature, our next service is 'Harvest Festival', which is on 7th October at 3pm.

I believe that, considering the scorchingly hot weather we have experienced, the harvest has been quite a good one.

Ray Allcoat 651609

**All Saints' Church,
Edingthorpe**

The Barber Shop Singers' Concert on 15th July was a great success. The Church was full and an evening of songs and laughter was enjoyed by all. The weather was perfect and everyone enjoyed picnic refreshments in the Churchyard. Our sincere thanks must go to all who helped in any way and to all

who attended and supported the event. A total of over £600. was raised for the Church.

Our congratulations go to Sylvia Bullivant and Richard Bottomley who were married at Edingthorpe Church on 11th August. We wish them much happiness in the future. On the following day we had 'Edingthorpe Memories' which was a display of old photographs together with cream teas and refreshments. Many people attended and the Church flowers were beautiful following the wedding. Our thanks go to Mr and Mrs Bottomley for leaving the flowers in the Church and also for leaving the toilet for our event. We made £360 on the day.

Arranging such events takes several weeks of preparation and our sincere thanks must go to Graham and Margaret de Feyter for all their time and effort involved in making the day so successful. Thanks must also go to all who helped with the tea on the day and provided cakes and scones. All help is always appreciated and if anyone would like to join in helping with events for the Church please do let us know.

A sincere thank you must go to Nigel and Kathryn Tillyard who have donated two 'There but not there' silhouettes to the Church to remember those from the village who lost their lives 100 years ago in World War 1. Nigel and Kathryn have

now moved to Aylsham and we wish them all the best in their new home. Kathryn has been a member of our Fund Raising Committee for several years and we thank her for all she has done in helping at events and allowing us to have meetings at their house.

On 13th October there is a 'Whodunnit' evening at St.

Benet's Hall, North Walsham at 7pm. There will be a Fish and Chip Supper with puddings but bring your own drink. Tickets £10 available from Jan Withers 07535 125448 or any Committee Member. These evenings are always very popular with all who have attended in the past. A date for your diaries is our Christmas Fayre at St Benet's Hall, North Walsham, on Saturday 1st December. More details to follow in the next issue of Village News.

June Hannant, 402337

Village News

AGM

**2:30pm on 17th November
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Sunday Services at a Glance: October

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	3 pm	Harvest Festival	Ridlington
14th	10.30	All Age Worship	Bacton
	10.30	Holy Communion	Witton
21st	10.30	Songs of Praise	Bacton
28th	10.30	Holy Communion	Bacton
	10.30	Morning Prayer	Witton

All Saints', Edingthorpe

Vicar: Rev Paul Cubitt 406380

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7th No Service

14th Morning Prayer

21st No Service

28th 9.30 Holy Communion

**Beacon Church
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