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Bacton & Edingthorpe Parish Council Meeting 14th December 2015

The Parish Council would like to thank all the volunteers in the community who give their time freely and willingly to assist in various clubs/schools and other functions within the villages. Without volunteers and the communities' support, many clubs/societies would not exist. Members of the Council try to encourage, support and improve the facilities in Bacton & Edingthorpe and are always willing to listen to new ideas and concepts. If you have a new community project please let us know - we may just be able to help. Thank you to all of you.

Dog fouling on the playing field has become a problem so if you see, or are aware of, anyone using the area for exercising their dogs, please let us know and a letter will be sent out to the individuals. It is vitally important that dogs are kept off of the playing field.

There is clear signage at the entrance to the field and we will now have the dog wardens patrolling.

The new dog bin has been installed between the dog and non-dog beach. This will be emptied on a bi-weekly basis. If you see these bins overflowing please let us know.

The Pavilion is the new home for Little Pirates toddler group and we will be working with them to promote the group in the New Year.

The Children's Christmas Party was a huge success with approximately 62 children plus parents attending. The food was supplied by the Duke, together with a sweet selection. Father Christmas flew in and was very generous and gave all the children a small gift. We would, as always, like to extend our thanks to the companies at the Gas Terminal for financially supporting this yearly event. It is always appreciated. Our special thanks are extended to Sally Dunham

for her enthusiasm in organising and managing this event to a high standard. In Edingthorpe, we are just waiting for feedback from Highways and the Landowners on the Pond Project.

We are still seeking ideas and volunteers for the celebrations for the Queen's 90th birthday - 12th June 2016. We will remind you in the next edition.

Council, please let the Clerk know by phone, email or post. This information will be forwarded to the Council for their consideration.

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 call us to find out how you can help. Contact by phone, email or post. This information will be forwarded to the Council for their consideration.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on 8th February 2016 - 7pm, in Bacton Village Hall Annexe. All are welcome to attend.

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Witton and Ridlington Village Hall

Thanks for everyone who came to the Village Hall Christmas lunch. We hope you all enjoyed it. Our next lunch will be in the spring, date to be announced in the next newsletter.

Our next quiz and supper will be on Friday 26th February at 7pm as usual. Supper of baked potatoes and various sides and fillings with table nibbles and tea/coffee included in the price of £6.00 per person. Thanks as always to Steve at the Lighthouse Inn for providing the baked potatoes. BYO bottles or cans. Ring 650265 for bookings for tables of up to 6.

To book the hall please contact us on the number above.

Lynne/Richard

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Christmas Tree Festival

I'd like to thank everyone who contributed and decorated a tree for St Andrew's Church festival. They looked lovely, especially at our Carol service when we sung just by the lights from the trees. They brought so much enjoyment to our many visitors throughout Advent so we certainly hope to repeat this event in 2016, with maybe even more trees?

Best wishes for 2016

Kim Reynolds 01263 834507

Village News is on Facebook

We agreed at the Village News AGM that we would make a bit more effort to engage people with our Facebook Page and our website. Whilst the paper version remains our major priority, we realise that for some people (especially our younger residents) it may be it may be more relevant. Being of a different generation, we don't want to clutter up your Facebook feed with piles of irrelevant stuff but it will encourage better and more immediate communication and feedback. So, should this be your cup of tea, you can search for our Facebook page, "Village News" and LIKE us! Our website remains <http://villagenews.btck.co.uk/>.

Steve & Kate, The Editors

Book Group

We currently have ten members but would like to increase this so if you enjoy reading and talking about books why not pop along to our meeting on Thursday February 25th and help us decide what books to read.

We meet in Bacton Village Hall at 2:30 on the fourth Thursday of the month for coffee/tea and biscuits and a discussion on a book read by the group. There is no obligation to finish a book if it does not suit you. On the 25th we will be discussing 'Station 11' by Emily St. John Mandel and choosing another book and the library service will provide copies.

In December we had a lively meeting talking about 'N.W' by Zadie Smith and I am hoping January will be just as lively when we will have read Graham Swift's 'Last Orders' and 'Another Part of the Wood' by Beryl Bainbridge.

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Bacton Gardening Club

We enjoyed our New Year's lunch on Friday 8th January which was followed by the AGM where Tricia and Sandra resigned their positions, after many years of committed and dedicated service to the Bacton Gardening Club.

As the members in attendance on the day wanted to keep the club going I offered, with the support of other members, to help take the club forward into 2016. Obviously I do not have the expertise of Tricia and

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The Line Dancing Gang's Christmas Bash!

Sandra but I do have the dedication to try to sustain the survival of the club as I feel these local groups help to preserve the heart of communities.

The next meeting will be on Friday 12th February 2016 at 2.00 pm. So, members old and new, please come along to support the continuation of Bacton Gardening Club.

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Bacton History Group

Our December meeting was a spine-chiller. Neil Storey did his best to scare us with Dark Tales of Norfolk Past and afterwards we needed the comfort of Andy's

excellent quiche and mince pies, as well as Mr. Gale Senior's magnificent Bromholme Priory cake. Our next meeting, on Friday, February 12th at 7.30 (please note - we will always be meeting on a Friday from now on) will be a quieter planning meeting; we also hope to have several new maps to discuss. As usual, any non-member who would like to come along to look at our folders of postcards etc. is welcome - tea/coffee also provided.

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Line Dancing

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Diary Dates for February 2016

- 8th Theatre Group Coffee Morning
B & E Parish Council Meeting
- 9th Shrove Tuesday/Pancake Day
- 10th Ash Wednesday
- 12th Garden Club
History Group
Half Term Starts
- 22nd Back to School
- 25th Book Group
- 26th W & R Quiz and Supper

Wednesday evening, the classes have been successful, and we have a very good atmosphere, with dancers that have become friends. With winter nights upon us, I hear that there are members of the community that do not like travelling on frosty dark nights, so I have decided to open another club session, on a Monday morning between 10 & 12 am, in addition to the Wednesday evening group.

Classes are open to everyone - we cater for the beginners during the first hour, going on to dances that are better for the more experienced, during the second hour.

The price is £3.00 a session and refreshments are supplied.

Contact numbers are:

Roger 652181 & Jacqui 581857

Luncheon Club

The Royal Voluntary Service (RVS) hosts a 2-course lunch every Tuesday at the Lighthouse Inn, Walcott for older residents of Bacton, Edingthorpe, Ridlington, Walcott and Witton. You are invited to join us from midday for a 12.15 start. A small charge applies. We look forward to seeing you. For more details, please call me.

June 650277

Material Girls 'R' Us

Patchwork, sewing, knitting, card-making, in fact any craft, we meet each

Thursday at Bacton Village Hall Annexe from 1.30 - 4.00. Lots of experience here for beginners to learn a craft. Tea/coffee/cake/biscuits £2.00 per week with a meal at a hotel each Christmas. Fun, laughter, and discussions. Please phone

Valerie, 652277

Table Tennis in Bacton Village Hall

This is an exercise to find out if there are juniors and adults from Bacton and surrounding villages who wish to play Table Tennis. If you would like to play, - at any standard, please contact me (details below). Please say what times and days you can play. There will be a need for cash help

and Table Tennis Tables so if anyone can help or has tables that can be loaned or donated please say

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Taste & See

Taste & See is a new Coffee Morning for those who have questions about faith. We meet each Wednesday from 10:30am to 12:00noon at the Beacon Church Bacton (opposite Gooch's Garage). Come and listen to how God has worked in other people's lives and to receive prayer and healing for any difficulties you are facing in your life. We offer private rooms for one to one prayer and ministry. Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in Him - Psalm 34v8

Theatre Group

Here are a few suggestions for Theatre Royal visits, as discussed at Monday's coffee morning. If you are interested or would like more details please let me know.

'Toast' with Matthew Kelly playing a baker in a factory which faces a crisis; Matthew Bourne's 'Sleeping Beauty' which he has transformed into a menacing gothic romance; Robert Powell in 'King

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Charles 111' which promises to be "hilarious, dizzyingly audacious"; the comedy 'Hobson's Choice' starring Martin Shaw; the Royal Shakespeare Company's production of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'; the musical 'Guys and Dolls.' We have not had a theatre visit since November when three of us were entertained at the Maddermarket by Noel Coward's 'Star Quality.' There were some outstanding performers in this play about offstage egos and expectations. The next coffee morning will be held in the Annexe on Monday 8th Feb from 10:00 a.m. This is open to anyone even if you do not want to go to the theatre.

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Witton & Ridlington WI

Happy New Year to all our members, past and present.

We were very pleased to welcome a large number of our past members who joined us for our December meeting. It took the form of a Christmas meal produced by the members and held to celebrate the 100 years of the WI movement.

Our new programme has a variety of speakers and we start in February with a visit from a local blacksmith. The January meeting saw the majority of us meeting locally for a belated Christmas meal. It was a very social occasion enjoyed by all.

We meet in the Village Hall in Witton at 7.30pm on the second Tuesday in the month. New members and visitors are always welcome. Contact

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Mundesley Cinema

Xmas Surprise!!

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

Tuesday February 9th: **About Time** (12A) 123 mins: Domhnall Gleeson (Harry Potter & Star Wars) discovers he can time travel when he is 21 like his Father (Bill Nighy) and decides to use his ability to get himself a girlfriend.

Tickets on door: Adults £4, Members £3, Under 15's £2.50

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

T w i t t e r (@MundesleyCinema) or call 07710 046869

The knock on the door just before Xmas could have heralded almost anything. What did result was a totally unexpected and delightfully presented 'goodies' box from the W B H!! That they should have even remembered us as a 'hangover' from the December 2013 'surge' at Seabrink was amazing but the care and thoughtfulness which went into the Xmas treats was truly heart-warming. Libby and I would like to express our gratitude both for the sentiments and the practicality of this lovely surprise.

Many thanks Jane, Bel and your supporters. Well-deserved best wishes for the coming year.

Bill and Libby

You Write

Thank You

I will bow out of my position as Secretary of Bacton Gardening Club by saying a big thank you to all of the members who have supported me over the last 8 years. I have enjoyed my time searching and sourcing activities and speakers and I know I am leaving you in capable hands so I look forward to seeing a new programme in the near future. Happy Gardening

Tricia

Litter

Could Parents please ask their children not to stuff litter in the grille of the old newsagent's shop whilst they are waiting for the school bus to arrive. Even though they don't leave it on the ground this is still untidy. I have noticed that someone is clearing it up every few weeks, but only when it gets into a right state. I will be contacting the schools if this continues but would hope that this is not necessary.

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St Peter's Church Ridlington

Well, they did it again - Barrington Farm Barn produced their fantastical decorations for the Christmas tree at St Peter's. Who would believe that a colour scheme of orange & purple could look so stunning?! Thanks to you all at Barrington, we hope you enjoyed the tree for the rest of the holiday. Our newly-tuned organ played by Elwyn helped to provide the Christmas service with the bit of magic that this special time of year brings - the mince pies & mulled wine played their part too! Big thank you to all who helped in many ways & to those of you who joined us. More than any other time this is a big joint effort to create the atmosphere that everyone appreciates! Our January service was a Christingle Service & was very well attended. The collection from this service was donated to The Children's Society. Our next service is on Sunday 7th February 3pm &

will be setting the scene in preparation for Lent which begins on 10th February. On Shrove Tuesday, the day before, traditionally we make pancakes, a fact I am never allowed to forget in our house. I understand that when people fasted seriously throughout Lent, eggs & milk were used up, maybe because they were considered luxuries & forbidden or they just could not be kept for long periods. These days we perhaps give up chocolate, sugar, biscuits or decide to do something extra for someone else. Either way it may be a good idea to carry all of these things forward after Lent!! Details of Lent Services will be found in the newsletters, meanwhile we look forward to seeing you in February.

Tina Soldan 650402

St Margaret's Church Witton

Happy New Year to all our readers, I hope that you have a very happy, healthy and successful 2016. After

all the hustle and bustle of the Festive season it is quite nice to return to normal (whatever that is for you) again. Thank you to everyone who helped make this such a glorious season for us. From the flower arrangers to the nibble providers and mulled wine purveyors, readers, who all helped in their own way. It was so lovely to see so many people in church and singing with fine voice. Everyone well, almost everyone takes their Christmas decorations down by Twelfth Night, but, strictly speaking they should be left until Candlemas on the 2nd February. Unfortunately, I don't think that the tree needles would hang on till then - you would probably have a gaunt twiggy stump in the corner!!

A funeral service for the late Cecil Callow was held on the 31st December. We extend our condolences to his family and friends at his sad passing.

Our next service will be on the 14th February at 10.30

am. We look forward to seeing you there.

Beryl Lodge 650546

St Andrew's Church Bacton

Happy New Year and I hope you had an enjoyable and peaceful Christmas.

Many thanks to everyone who contributed and decorated a Christmas tree for our festival this year, the Church looked wonderful especially for our Carol Service as we sung just by the lights from the trees, thank you.

St Andrew's Crib service on the 24th December was low in numbers unfortunately, but those who did attend were once again reminded of the wonderful Christmas story and not to forget to invite the most important person to our festivities on Christmas day, Our Lord Jesus. Many thanks Brenda and Martin for the seasonal refreshments after our service.

The Members from Coastal Group PCCs attended their annual supper recently, hosted by Sea Palling. We

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St Andrew's Christmas Tree Festival

enjoyed a variety of delicious homemade soups and puddings and were entertained by the Sea Palling singers, with the opportunity to 'sing along'. We were all warmly welcomed and given a most enjoyable evening, many thanks to everyone for all your hard work. Thinking of all our members who are unwell at this time and wishing them better health in 2016, we especially hope that Daphne and Mary will back among us soon. Visitors are always welcome at St Andrew's.

Kim Reynolds 01263 834507

**Beacon Centre
Bacton**

Decisions are all around us. Some are, without question, more important than others. But all of them require a degree of understanding, or even wisdom. Certain life events equip us for making a decision but some things so take us by surprise that making a sensible decision seems almost impossible. It is then that we either flounder in our indecisiveness or else make a serious blunder.

These are the times that wise input from others can be a real help. Where do you go for such advice? God has promised to give wisdom to all those who ask for it. Many times I have directly seen God speak into a particular situation, or do so through the counsel of others that I trust. If you need this sort of input ask God. You may be surprised how He answers.

**Jonathan Squirrell
580018**

**All Saint's Church,
Edingthorpe**

The annual Christmas Coffee Morning of 12th December at St Benet's Hall was, as usual, very successful, raising for Church funds, the sum of £1000. Thanks go to all those involved and to those who attended this enjoyable event. The Christmas Carol Service on the 20th December was well-attended as usual. The one-off choir performed like professionals, singing some more unusual carols. The vicar invited the children to join in by assembling the Nativity scene in the stable. After the service, refreshments

and mulled wine were served. Events are being arranged for the New Year, including a boat trip on the Broad one May evening and 'An Evening with a (resurrected) Marie Lloyd, who have supported in April. Watch out for further details in 2015. A Happy and Healthy forthcoming issues of the Village News.

David and June Hannant will be hosting their annual Coffee Morning at 'Stoney Lodge' on Tuesday, 26th April. Further events to be announced later.

Finally, thanks to all those who have supported Edingthorpe church during the New Year to all!

Geoff Thomas 405263



Services for Lent

Ash Wednesday, 10th February 10.30 am:

Holy Communion St Andrew's, Bacton



Sunday Services at a Glance: February

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Rev Eiler Mellerup 651393

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3.00 pm Celebration Service Ridlington

Sun 14th 10.30 All Age Worship Bacton VH
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Sun 21st 10.30 Songs of Praise Bacton

Sun 28th 10.30 Holy Communion Bacton with Walcott

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