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Bacton & Edingthorpe Parish Council Meeting 14th September 2015

It was very disappointing to learn that the portacabin at the Playing Field had a window smashed. The cost of repair will be passed on to the community to replace it. Security at the Pavilion is being upgraded over the next few months and we hope that these steps will assist as a deterrent.

It was unfortunate that the last 2 Multisports sessions had to be cancelled due to rain. Numbers were up and we thank everyone who gives their time to this initiative. If you, as a resident, have any thoughts on the improvements on this programme during the summer please let us know. We have been asked to start earlier next year and finish in late July. We will try and find a way forward on this. The Pond project in Edingthorpe is moving forward slowly and a meeting was finally held with Norfolk Wildlife Trust - in the pouring rain. A report is being forwarded to the Council for their consideration.

The Post Office has confirmed from its Chief

Executive's Office that it will not be returning the missing Post Box to Bacton. Some of the Lego sets were donated to the Norwich and Norfolk Hospital, care of the Jenny Lind unit, and a number were also donated to Bacton School and Sandcastles.

The Queen celebrates her 90th birthday in 2016 and Members are investigating ways to celebrate the event for the Parish - any ideas are welcome. The Council would like residents to come forward and be involved in this event. The proposed date is Sunday June 12th. If there are volunteers who would be willing to put up tents, these offers would be gratefully received.

We are seeking a volunteer to organise this year's Christmas Party for the children of the village. If anyone would like to take on this role, please let the Clerk know. The party would be in December and we really need to get this organised now before the hall and entertainers get booked!!! We would like to ensure that all the children are invited to this event.

The Council will be installing an additional enclosed rubbish bin near

to the children's play area. The old concrete ones will be removed in due course. Further dog bins will also be installed in strategic locations as agreed with NNDC.

The next meeting will be held in Bacton Village hall Annexe on 12 October at 7.00 pm.

Elaine Pugh, Clerk
402998/elainepugh15@hotmail.com

Restricted Access to England Coast Path

The Shell ramp reinstatement work has now commenced but there is a safety issue, with members of the public ignoring the construction signs and still walking up and down the ramp, stating that it's a public right of way and that the contractor cannot stop them from using it.

The ramp in question is Shell land and although it has been agreed with Natural England that the ramp and Seagulls Field will become part of the NE Coastal Path, Shell has a Direction to exclude access under Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000. Natural England has given a direction to exclude public access rights to the Shell rejuvenation project at Bacton Gas Distribution Station until June 2016 when the Rejuvenation Project is completed. Please pass this message onto local Parishioners and ask them to avoid the area until it is safe to use again.

We really want to avoid anyone getting hurt during this ramp reinstatement work and when the Project is very busy.

Please see the copy of the site notice which is displayed on the public website with CROW and Coastal Access maps here at www.openaccess.naturalengland.org.uk

Bacton Village Hall AGM

The Bacton Village Hall AGM will be held on Wednesday 18th November at 7.30 in Bacton Village Hall.

We welcome all villagers old and new to attend and give us your thoughts and any ideas you may have.

Jaine Shepherd 650511

Bacton Village Hall

A date for your diary - there will be a Quiz Night on the 28th November, more details in the next issue.

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Edingthorpe Heritage Weekend

From Thursday 10th to Sunday 13th September, All Saints Church, Edingthorpe celebrated its heritage as part of the national Heritage Open Days. All Saints welcomed people over the four days with Historical Church Tours, a Village Coffee Morning, Plant, Craft, Cake and Produce Sales, an Evening Concert, Dibley Style Pet Service, BBQ and Organ Recital - this was a huge effort for a little church. Praise and gratitude should go to the hard working volunteers for making this such a successful event. Their dedication keeps All Saints' Door open and in excellent repair to be enjoyed and used by us living next to this beautiful building and as a haven for passing visitors. So thank you to all who attended, donated and gave their time to help.

Jan Withers All Saints Churchwarden & Fund Raising Chair

Witton & Ridlington Village Hall

Many thanks to all participants who took part in our Village Show on 6th September and to the visitors who enjoyed the resulting splendid

exhibition. I'm sure everyone was impressed by the quality and variety of what a small community can produce. Congratulations to Shirley Burton who was our overall winner. We look forward to advising parishioners on what to put in next year's show. Our next quiz is on 23rd October; usual format with the Lighthouse jacket potatoes, fillings, salads and sides. 7pm start, £6 entry and tables up to 6 people. Booking is not essential but helpful on 650265. The committee are looking at Christmas events so watch out for a date for our famous Christmas dinner and other festive events. Any queries to

Lynne 650265

Bacton Village Show

My Team and I would like to thank all who helped to make this event a success. There were 37 entries and 145 items shown. The Winners were - PRODUCE - Simon Smith. FLORAL - Sandra Hopkins.. CRAFT - Sheila Mason. COOKERY - Andy and Alison Grey. The Winners of the SHIELD with the most points overall were: Andy and Alison Grey. If anyone has ideas for future Shows, I would be pleased to receive them. Once again many thanks to

all who participated and helped.

Joan Galbraith. 650434

Harvest Supper Invitation

Please join us to celebrate the Harvest at Bacton Village Hall on Saturday October 3rd, between 6 and 9 pm.

Enjoy good food and a sing-a-long, invite your friends to come too. You are welcome to bring your own drinks. Donations are welcome to help Church fund-raising.

For more information, please call Joan on 536186.

Kim Reynolds

Bacton Gardening Club

I hope you all enjoyed the Summer break, short as it has been this year. Dashing in and out between the heavy downpours has made gardening difficult and the winds have knocked most of my roses to the ground but, as the saying goes "it is good for the garden" and the grass looks lovely and green, so that is a bonus! Maybe we will get the Indian Summer we were promised, and we can still potter around until October. Fingers crossed.

The Outing to Sandringham went very well, and at least it stayed dry. Also at the Tea afternoon we enjoyed some warmish weather -

shame a few more of you could not attend.

Kathy Gray gave us a very interesting talk with slides about Plant Hunters in the 18/19 century at our last meeting. With all their trials and tribulations it sounded a very dangerous but exciting occupation.

At the October meeting we have Tony Leech coming along to give us a talk on Fungi. He is well known in the gardening world so please try and come along. His talk should be very interesting.

Do not forget - we would like any ideas for the Christmas get together.

Tricia 651390

Bacton History Group

For our August meeting we were joined by members of Paston Heritage Society who had many interesting things to tell us about the project to research sites in Bacton and other villages with connections to the Paston family. We're looking forward to further developments with this project.

On Bank Holiday Monday we held a very well attended display of our Bacton documents and memorabilia. Thanks to all those who visited in spite of (or because of?) the terrible weather. If you missed the display or would like more

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Diary Dates for October 2015

3rd - Harvest Supper BVH	14th - Bacton History Gp
9th - Bacton Gardening Club	17th Oct - 1 Nov - Walking Festival
12th - Theatre Gp Coffee Morning	22nd-30th - Half-Term
- B&E PC Mtg	23rd - Quiz & Supper W&R VH
10th - St Andrew's Working Party	25th - British Summer Time Ends

time to look through our collection, please feel free to join us at our next meeting, Wednesday 14th October, 7.30 Village Hall annexe. We plan to start work on our Bacton History Walkabout map but you would be left in peace to study the folders - cup of tea also provided!

Jo Arnold

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Churchyard Working Party

As part of the continuing project to document the burials at St. Andrews we are organising a working party on Saturday October 10th from 10 am to clear the overgrown areas of the churchyard - please join us if you can. Bring gardening gloves, secateurs and anything else you think might be useful. Refreshments will be provided. Enquiries to

Jo Arnold

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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

Theatre Visits Group

Since my last report, members have seen five productions. Two of these were staged by Sheringham Little Theatre Rep Company. The two actors in 'Educating Rita' gave a memorable performance in Willy Russell's witty play. Feedback was that the female student's Liverpool accent was authentic if rather strident for a small theatre! It was good to welcome back some previous members who

joined three regulars to see 'Private Lives.' We all enjoyed this witty comedy about two couples who don't seem to have anything to do except spar verbally with each other.

The Maddermarket Theatre also offered us a realistic and actor-friendly set for 'Murder on the Nile.' Actors approached the stage from the auditorium to board the cruise ship and interacted with street sellers as they did so. The amateur cast gave convincing performances with two being outstanding. This classic Christie was good summer entertainment.

Eight members went to see 'Annie' at The Theatre Royal and all thoroughly enjoyed it. One regular actually said it was the best musical she had been to. Apparently I missed a treat and would not have recognised Craig Revel-Horwood as Miss Hannigan. They were very impressed by the high standard of the young cast, especially the girl playing Annie.

The final outing was also to the Theatre Royal to see the award winning National Theatre production of 'The Curious Incident of The Dog In The Night-Time'. This clever, creative production exceeded all expectation and deserved the standing ovation it received from a full house.

Two suggestions for future visits were proposed at the coffee morning, 'Bronte' at the Maddermarket in late October and 'Sunset Boulevard' in January. If either of these interest you please get in touch.

Sally

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Bacton Bottle Bank

This is a plea from Billy and Shelley at the Bacton Superstore! There are now two bottle banks on the car park, with the smaller one designed to act as overflow, once the big one is full and until the contractor arrives to empty them. Please use the large one first and, if it is nearly full, pop into the shop and let them know. Only once it is full, should the smaller one be used. This is to try to avoid the situation where bags of bottles are left around the banks, which is not only unsightly, but also potentially dangerous. There is a time lag between the contractor being notified and actually

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arriving to empty the banks, so your assistance would be much appreciated!

Bacton Superstore News

Arrangements have been made to install a new, free-to-use ATM in the shop. With luck, by the time you read this, it will be in and ready for use.

R.I.P.

Over the summer Bacton has had its fair share of sorrow as a number of well-loved residents have passed away. Back in June, Don Tyers, who will be remembered by many as a larger-than-life, cheerful soul, a dab hand with the fish fryer and a keen gardener, lost his hard-fought battle with illness. In August, Michelle McCallin was also taken from us, as was the one and only Jimmy Gooch. We have also said goodbye to Jill Gorham who, until she was taken ill delivered the Village News on the Newlands Estate and Barbara Feuell, a long-time resident of Newlands. All will be sadly missed by their families, friends and neighbours.

We send our sincere condolences to all - and to all those who have lost someone dear to them this year.

Kate and Steve

Jimmy Gooch

James Frederick Gooch, known to many as Jimmy, died on the 16th August at the age of 92, in the very house he was born in, back in 1922. The son of Arthur Gooch and Anna Elizabeth Andrews, Jimmy was the youngest of 3 and, on leaving school, worked in his father's haulage business until his call-up in 1940.

WW II saw him travel to Africa, Italy and, eventually into Germany, although he was to be disappointed that he never made it to Berlin. After the War, he returned to Bacton, to his father's business and was delivering coal until he was 74. He married Audrey and they had their son, Christopher, who built up the garage business that we've come to know so well.

Outside of work, Jimmy enjoyed playing darts and was president of The Duke Darts team for over 50 years - and was still Honorary President up to his death. Ronnie Jackson recalled how Jimmy would hitch up his jacket to get a better swing, hitting 60 with superb accuracy every time.

With his death, we have not only lost a well-known, loved and admired character, but also reached the end of a significant chapter in the history of

Bacton - something which has interested many people. Rest in Peace Jimmy!

**Kurtis Gale Chairman
BHG**

Editor's Note: This tribute has been severely edited to fit. To read the full text, see the VN website: <http://villagenews.btck.co.uk/>

The Beacon

Would you like to meet new friends? Join us for a Coffee Morning, Thursdays 10.30am-12.00 noon. Everyone Welcome - we're dog-friendly, too! Start each day with a positive thought - the day is what you make it! So why not make it a great one? The Beacon Centre, Coast Road, Bacton, Norfolk NR12 0HB (opposite Gooch's Garage) (ample parking). <http://www.bactonandwalcott.co.uk/>

Witton & Ridlington Home Watch

We are all volunteers in this is public crime/safety organisation, working alongside the police at all times. There is a list of all the co-ordinators on Witton and Ridlington notice boards, but for more information or advice, contact below for enquiries about membership (free) and any minor concerns. All

others to 101 or 999 (emergencies).

Wendy Murphy 650096

Village News Directory Amendments

Please amend your copies of the Directory as follows: Under 'Interest Groups', please delete the Monday Art Group at Bacton Village Hall. The contact email address for the Medau should read elisabethhay@hotmail.com. The online edition will be amended to reflect these changes.

The Editors

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 Oct 13th, A Royal Night Out, (12A) 97 mins. Princesses Elizabeth & Margaret venture out from Buckingham Palace for the night on V.E. Day 1945. They encounter excitement, romance and danger. A truly royal film.

Mundesley Kids Village Cinema

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successfully. Colouring Competition from 1.30pm. All tickets £2 on the door. For more information see www.mundesley.org/film, follow us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/MundesleyVillageCinema) or Twitter (@MundesleyCinema) or call 07710 046869

Walcott Village Hall

The initial meeting of the Camera Club on 8th September did not attract enough people so will not continue at present. If you would be interested but couldn't make that evening, give Sheila a ring on 07826033801.

Walcott Hangout: Unfortunately, before the term started, we lost our adult supervisors. We therefore cannot run this youth group until further notice. If you know of anybody that would be willing to give up an evening to supervise this, please give me a call on 07881751511.

Jean Miller

Norfolk Walking Festival

Norfolk County Council's Norfolk Trails are co-ordinating the first Norfolk Walking Festival, which will run from Saturday 17th October - Sunday 1st November 2015. Inspired by the opening last December

of the first section of the England Coast Path between Weybourne and Sea Palling, the festival will consist of two weeks of walks and talks on the north-east Norfolk coast. The programme draws from the tremendous heritage of the area, which is increasingly being known as the Deep History Coast. With over forty events, attendees can choose the walk/talk that suits them best. Booking is essential for each walk as there will be a limited number of places available. Charges will apply. For more information and to book places, visit: www.norfolkwalkingfestival.co.uk

Norfolk Coastal Marathon

For those that dare on Halloween, as part of the Festival, Positive Steps will be hosting a marathon and half-marathon along the new stretch of the Norfolk Coast Path. Both events are open to walkers as well as runners. The Norfolk Coastal Marathon will begin at Weybourne Village Hall, - with the half-marathon starting at Trimmingham Pilgrim Shelter - and both will finish at Sea Palling Village Hall. Participants are invited to light up the Autumn coastline by wearing hi-vis, neon, lights - the brighter the better!

All taking part will receive a bespoke medal upon reaching the finishing line. To book a place on either the marathon or half marathon, visit: <http://www.positivestepst.co.uk/events/norfolk-coastal-marathon/>

You Write

Thank You!

Shirley Tyers, Nigel and family would like to thank all our friends and neighbours for their kind messages and sympathy for our sad loss of Don and a big thank you to everyone for your generous donations which enabled us to send £400 to the Haematology Dept at the NNUH and £300 to the East Anglian Ambulance Service. Thank you so much.

Shirley, Nigel & Family

Thank You, Bacton

In some respects I write this with a heavy heart but in another I write with thanks and gladness. Michelle passed away peacefully after a titanic struggle with her cancer. She fought many battles over the months but did not win the war against this insidious disease. It was not to be. Throughout it all her courage was extraordinary.

It was typical of her. I say this not because she was my wife - but - that she certainly was a wonderful lady and touched many who knew her. Those of you who did know her helped us enormously. You supported us, did errands for us, cooked for us, relieved the pressure on me and provided a shoulder to cry on. Michelle did not do moroseness or "poor me-ism", she was always a positive thinker. We appreciated all that our friends did for us. My gladness comes from the fact we were never alone during these past months, she was happy to have all the phone calls and visits and they filled her remaining time with joy. To all of you, far too many to name, my heartfelt thanks and also - thank you for being Bacton.

Sincerely, Terry McCallin

Bacton Yard Sale

I would like to thank everyone who took part in the recent village yard sale, especially those of you who made a donation to the EA Air Ambulance. So far I have collected £198.50 in donations and will advise the total amount along with the sales of the maps in the next edition of the Village News.

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✠ Church News

St Peter's Church Ridlington

At the time of writing we are now officially in Autumn! Summer has seen meteor showers, record breaking temperatures & record breaking rain! In the Summer months we have had events galore throughout the Benefice, culminating in Happisburgh Fete on Bank Holiday Monday when the rain decided to come down in biblical proportions. Think everyone was 'rusty' by the end of the day!

A notable event in Ridlington was our Blessing of Animals. We welcomed 26 dogs with their assorted owners & we could not have wished for a better-behaved congregation - I suspect large amounts of bribery took place in the form of liver treats!!

Our first service of the Autumn, fittingly, is our harvest service on Sunday 3rd October at 3.00pm. As mentioned last month we will be collecting for the Cromer Food Bank - we managed to send, via Andrew, a good few boxes last year & are hoping to do the same this. If you would like to donate please bring it with you on the day or drop off to me at Church Farmhouse opposite the church. Please NO BAKED BEANS. They are looking for UHT milk, UHT juice, Squash, tinned potatoes, tinned custard & pasta sauces.

Thank you to everyone who has helped in the church & churchyard this Summer - no easy task when bats are doing what they do best & grass grows as one stands & watches it. Hopefully both will slow down from now on!

Our November Service of Remembrance is on the 1st of the month at 3.00pm, when we remember & pay our respects to those who fought in conflicts past & recent.

Tina Soldan 650402

St Margaret's Church Witton

It doesn't seem so long ago that we were all hoping for a good summer and it has been and gone! Time flies quickly. We are thinking Harvest Festival now, goodness, it will soon be Christmas. The shops are beginning to display all the Tinsel and baubles already! But back to this time zone - Harvest. We will be celebrating Harvest at Witton on Sunday 11th of October at 11am please note time change. Sally and her band of ladies will be decorating the church on Saturday morning, so if you have any flowers that can be used, please bring them to the church. People are always welcome to come and help prepare for this wonderful festival so do come. Thank you.

Beryl Lodge 650546

St Andrew's Church Bacton

Please see the invitation to our Harvest Supper elsewhere in the Village News.

Visitors are always welcome at St Andrew's.

Kim Reynolds

Beacon Centre Bacton

In 1982 NBC premiered its hit sitcom 'Cheers'. Set in a bar in Boston, the theme song's refrain 'where everyone knows your name' effectively became a subtitle for the show. The phrase summed up the need for human relationship.

Later shows such as 'Friends' picked up this theme.

All of us need other people. However independent we may feel, there is a natural draw to others. God has made us this way—with the need for a vertical connection with Him and horizontal connections with people who can share our lives.

We have recently setup a weekly dog-friendly Coffee Morning at the Beacon Centre (Thursday 10.30am-12.00noon) so that anyone can experience this horizontal connection. We would love for you to come along. And for us to learn your name

Jonathan Squirrel 580018

All Saint's Church, Edingthorpe

During the Heritage Open days, from 10th - 13th September, there occurred a veritable cornucopia of events at All Saints' Church.

A well-supported Coffee Morning on the Friday and Saturday was the annual Church Cycle Ride and the Craft Fair, at which amazingly skilful artefacts were on sale, in the church. In the evening there was delightful entertainment provided by Letitia Randall, who sang hits from various musicals. This was followed by refreshments.

On Saturday and Sunday there were guided tours of the church, enhanced on Sunday by an organ recital. The pet Service was on Sunday, attended by several dogs and chickens (the giraffe was unable to attend due to a stiff neck). This was followed by a hot dog barbeque and music. The weather was reasonably friendly, overall.

A date for your diary - the Christmas Coffee Morning will be at St Benet's Hall, North Walsham on 12th December. More details next month.

Geoff Thomas 405263

Sunday Services at a Glance: October

Coastal Parishes

Church of England Rev Catherine Dobson 650359
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Rev Eiler Mellerup 651393

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

All Saints Edingthorpe

Church of England Vicar: Rev Paul Cubitt 406380
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Sun 4th	No Service
Sun 11th	9.30 Morning Prayer
Sun 18th	No Service
Sun 25th	9.30 Holy Communion

The Beacon Centre
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