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## NEW BUS SERVICE FROM BELTON TO NORWICH

From May 29th 2016, a new half hourly bus service, the First Eastern Counties X11 will run from Belton to Norwich via the new bypass to the James Paget Hospital, Gorleston, Great Yarmouth and then to Norwich. This will replace the No 7 on Mondays to Saturdays during the day. The existing No 7 will run during evenings and Sundays. We understand that the first X11 buses to Norwich will leave Belton Bracon Road (Mon-Fri) via James Paget Hospital at 0706,0736,0752,0812,0852,0927,0957 then at 27 and 57 minutes past the hour until 1627. After this X11 will run at 1657,1722,1752,1822 and 1852 to Great Yarmouth only. Service 7 takes over at 1922,2022, and 2152 via the current route to Great Yarmouth. The time table will be available on line from the First Eastern Counties website.

While the connection to Norwich is welcome, this change has an adverse effect for patients from Belton attending the doctors' and dentists' surgeries in Bradwell. Tony Grice from the East Norfolk Transport Users Association (ENTUA) said that the loss of the Number 7 route came as a shock to ENTUA as in their discussions with First last year, they were hopeful of a service that would link Belton, Bradwell and Burgh Castle to the James Paget Hospital. In his article in the Village Voice (see page 18), Mr Grice encourages those affected to contact their parish councils, write to the local press and sign the petition that is available in Belton Pet and DIY Stores.

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### MOBILE LIBRARY

Belton, Fritton and St. Olaves now have a four weekly service on Wednesdays, there is no service to Burgh Castle.

**Belton-** The next dates are June 1st and 29th with the following stops :- Aldersley (Station Road South) 1.50 – 2.05pm, The Tavern 2.10 – 2.20pm, Amhurst Gardens 2.25 – 2.35pm, opposite Dashwood Close 2.40 – 2.50pm, St Roberts Way 2.55 – 3.10pm and Moorlands School / Childrens Centre 3.15 - 4.05pm.

**Fritton and St. Olaves** – Again its June 1st and 29th for the next visits, stopping at Priory Close, off Herringfleet Road, St. Olaves 10.30 – 10.40am and on New Road, Fritton (near the playground) 10.45 to 11.00am.

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# VILLAGE VOICE

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### Hit and Run on Wall on Corner of Green Lane/Beccles Road

As some residents will have noticed the wall on the corner of Beccles Road and Green Lane was severely damaged between Thursday evening May 12th and Friday afternoon May 13th. The damage from the impact of a car has meant much of the wall has had to be demolished. There must also be severe damage to the car.

If anyone witnessed this incident would they please contact 07717832508. This is a police matter so please help if you can.



### YOUR VILLAGE VOICE

The closing date for the next edition of Village Voice, the July edition will be Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> June 2016. Please send all contributions to [beltonvveditor@gmail.com](mailto:beltonvveditor@gmail.com) and for advertising enquiries please contact [bcswan50@gmail.com](mailto:bcswan50@gmail.com). Please produce information in Rich Text format using Arial. Please do not embed photos in your articles, but send them as J-pegs. Please send adverts as pdf files.

### BURGH CASTLE CHURCH RESTORATION FUND

**St George's Day Celebrations** - A terrific evening, great fun was had by all who attended and this will now be a permanent fixture in our schedule. Many thanks to Tim for sorting the music and pictures, community singing and a grand finale had those there in fits of laughter and in some cases tears of sheer joy. Traditional readings and poems, a party game with forfeits, raffle, a profit of £330 for funds and good food rounded off the evening. Book early for next year! (Photographs will be on display at our Open Churches Event in August).

**Quiz Evenings** - The May quiz evening was very well supported and raised £101.00, thank you to all who participated. Next quiz Friday 3rd June teams of up to six, £1 per person, Raffle. We do like to start the quiz at 8 pm so please, if you are intending to eat that evening arrive a little earlier, or order your meal in advance, to give the kitchen a chance to get your food to you before the questions begin.

**Craft Fairs** - The Craft Fair will be back at the village hall again on 27/28/29/30th May 10 - 4. Our usual stalls include jewellery, woodcraft, gifts, cards, knitted/crochet work etc. Refreshments are served and cakes are available to take home. If you would like more information or a stall please call 01493 780126.

**Royal Celebration** - Our next major event is to celebrate the 90th birthday of our Queen, Elizabeth II. A Right Royal Tea Party & Right Royal Songs of Praise, which will take place on Sunday 12th June starting at 4.00 in the Village Hall where tea will be served and culminating with a service in our church at 6.00. A small gift as a memento of the occasion will be presented to parishioners after the evening service.

**Stall** - We are now collecting goods for our market stall which will be held on Wednesday 29th June, Great Yarmouth Market Place. If you have any unwanted gifts, toiletries or bric-a-brac please get in touch. We will be happy to collect from you.

Thank you to those who collect and donate foreign currency, a recent trip to the bank to exchange notes brought in a tidy £57 for our Restoration Fund. As usual any queries or information on any of the above please contact Margaret on 780126 or [mgreenacre532@googlemail.com](mailto:mgreenacre532@googlemail.com)

### BRADWELL CHAIRMAN STEPS DOWN

Ted Howlett, Chairman of Bradwell Parish Council for the past twenty years, has announced his intention to stand down from the role, when the new Parish Council takes office in May.

On the evening of Tuesday, 26th April, he chaired a meeting of the Parish Council at Leo Coles Pavilion for the last time. At the end, much to his surprise, he was asked to walk across to the neighbouring 'Golden Jubilee Pavilion' with his colleagues, so that a small presentation could be made. He was even more surprised when he arrived there, to find his wife Margaret waiting, with other friends and supporters, including members of the council's Allotments Advisory Committee and of Bradwell Bowling Club, with refreshments prepared.

A number of tributes were made to Ted, from Chris Wells, council vice-chairman, and Eddie Macdonald and John Francis, chairmen of the Finance and Planning Committees respectively. Tim Rule also said a few words on behalf of the allotment holders, and recalled how, during the 1990's, Ted had personally appeared at a Gt Yarmouth Borough Council Local Plan hearing to successfully appeal, on behalf of the Parish Council, against a proposal for the Beccles Road Allotments site land to be re-designated as 'housing land'.

Eddie Macdonald, as chairman of Bradwell Bowling Club, thanked Ted for his support for the provision of the Golden Jubilee Pavilion and Annexe buildings, and other improvements made to the Bowling Green site over the years. A number of gift presentations were made, and a special cake was cut. There are still a few vacancies on the Parish Council, and any Bradwell resident who may like to be considered for co-option to membership of the council should contact the Parish Clerk on 01493 444478, or e-mail [clerk@bradwellparishcouncil.co.uk](mailto:clerk@bradwellparishcouncil.co.uk). Information about Parish Council membership can be found on [www.bradwellparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.bradwellparishcouncil.co.uk).

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## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

There was an exceptionally low turn out for the Belton and Browston Annual Parish Meeting held at the end of April at the New Road Sport and Leisure centre. Chairman John Rudrum, who is chair of the Parish Council, could not hide his disappointment that the borough and county councillors and police were not present. In his report Mr Rudrum thanked councillors at all levels for their support over the year and also thanked the Parish Clerk, the councils' two part time caretakers, the police and all group organisers throughout the village. He mentioned various events during the year, especially the cooperation with Norfolk County Council which has enabled the parish to get half the cost of two schemes grant funded; the next few months will see a trod footpath installed between Waveney Drive and Ranworth Close and Wig Wag safety lights installed at the junction of Moorland Way and Bracon Road which will operate at school arrival and departure times. He also thanked Bohemians YFC for supporting the parish council and being instrumental in obtaining a defibrillator unit and getting it installed all for free through charity funding.

Councillor Nichols reported that there were some new users at the New Road facility but emphasised that lack of use from groups in the parish was disappointing. He said that any profits would be put back into improving the centre.

Councillor Swan reported on parish council finances that there had been an excess of expenditure over income of £2000. However this was better than expected especially as it had been decided during the financial year to extend the New Road site car park to cope with demand. Councillor Swan did sound a warning note that the Borough Council had withdrawn its financial support towards the clerk's salary and was, so he had been told, looking at making other cuts to the concurrent function grant which pays towards parish services from the main borough council rate fund.

Bohemians F.C reported a successful year at youth and adult levels although they were disappointed at being unable to encourage new members at the very youngest age groups in spite of working within the local school. They currently had an application in for their top adult Saturday team to join the Anglian Combination.

There were reports from many other groups and organisations, The poor lands (who now had added expenditure as they had been advised to hold additional insurance for their land), Belton Charity Fundraisers (who had just given out £2800 in grants for the last year), the W.I, the John Green Institute, Drop in, Camera Club, Village Show, History Society and written reports from the Scouts and Monday activity group.

Rev. Rosie Bunn reported on the churches' activities and the considerable work that they do for all ages from Messy Church for the very young, through various teenage groups up to hosting the Young at Heart, a group which has outgrown the church annexe and now meets in the main church building. Rev Bunn also stated that finances were tight, some £30000 having to be paid to the diocese for administration of Belton and Burgh Castle churches along with paying general running costs and maintenance

## ALLOTMENTS

Are you interested in having an allotment? If so, and you live in Belton or Browston, the waiting list, which currently is not very long, is open for a few names. Please call the Parish Clerk, Kate Palmer on 01493 602960 or email [beltonparish@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:beltonparish@yahoo.co.uk)

## PARISH COUNCIL PORTFOLIOS

*Who to contact on particular matters on Belton with Browston Parish Council*

### John Rudrum (Chairman)

Representative for Browston / Village maintenance / Schools & Compass Centre, Police  
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### Peter Nichols (Vice Chair)

Representative for Browston, Sports fields, Play areas & buildings / Schools & Compass Centre /Health & Safety  
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### Nathan Brown

Youth matters / Allotments  
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### Richard Brotherton

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### Darren Buckworth

Assisting with Finance  
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### Lesley Chalmers

Village Maintenance  
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## BELTON AND BROWSTON COUNCIL DIARY

Belton with Browston Parish Council holds its meetings at the at the New Road Sport & Leisure Centre, Belton on the third Tuesday of each month (except August). The next dates are therefore Tuesdays June 21st. and July 19th. All council meetings are open to the public, commence at 7.30 pm and questions can be put to councillors during the first 15 minutes of each meeting (normally restricted to one question per person present).

The Parish Clerk, Kate Palmer is available at the same location monthly on Wednesday mornings between 9.30 and 10.30 am to meet with and take note of residents queries, the next dates will be Wednesdays June 15th. and July 13th If you wish to confirm that Kate will be available before visiting please ring 01493 602960 or e-mail [beltonparish@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:beltonparish@yahoo.co.uk). The clerk can also be contacted in writing at 5 Middleton Gardens, Gorleston, Great Yarmouth, NR31 7AE.

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### Lee Staff

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### Ian Walpole

Allotments  
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### Kate Palmer

PARISH CLERK  
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**BURGH CASTLE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

There were all six Parish Councillors and about 14 members of the public at the Burgh Castle Annual Parish Meeting on May 9th, Trevor Greenacre was in the chair.

The report from the Playing Field Committee was of reduced income and no football teams booked for the 2016/17 season, the three members of the committee due for re-election were all reappointed, Miss Grey, Jill Skipper and John Russell with one place to be filled by later co-option.

The Village hall had slightly increased hires with a closing balance of £899, the committee thanked the Parish Council for their continued support and reported on a repaint by the Community Payback unit which had been a success. Miss Grey reported on the Community Council stating that they generally have three fund-raising events each year with all proceeds going into the community

The Parish Council accounts showed a final balance of £10441, down from £14952 partly due to less burial ground income and the payment of half the cost of the Sam2 speed warning sign. Councillor Greenacre thanked other councillors for their support and the public for attending council meetings, he said there had been various planning issues during the year and highlighted speeding through the village as an ongoing problem stating that this was often by residents from outside the parish using it as a short cut to and from Great Yarmouth this was supported by other councillors and residents.

In an open session the Community car scheme thanked the Parish Council for its support and a resident raised concerns that with changes to the Belton buses at the end of May, the Burgh Castle services would be unaltered and it would still not be possible to get a direct bus from the parish to the James Paget Hospital.

**BURGH CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL MAY MEETING**

At the Burgh Castle Parish Council annual meeting in May, Trevor Greenacre was re-elected chairman with Eric Foster again serving as vice chair.

In the public section there was a comment that the speed warning sign was having an effect on traffic coming into the village on Mill Road. Another resident reminded the council that repairs had not been made to the road surface at Stepshort and the chairman agreed to chase this up with County Highways. Members agreed to agenda the condition and need for maintenance on the village sign after its bad state of repair was brought to their attention, one idea was for a fibre glass replica as in neighbouring parishes. There was a request for a joint meeting with neighbouring parish councils over traffic matters to involve all interested councillors and the Member of Parliament. Members agreed to see what the planning situation is in regard to the owners of the Kingfisher site retaining a secure hedge along their boundary with Porters Loke to prevent that track being used as a short cut to the site.

Members agreed to a request to write to the Broads Authority to see what is happening with their Landscape Partnership scheme as the relevant web site has not been updated recently and it is known that funding has been granted to the Authority. There was a planning application which members supported to reduce the height of a Sycamore tree at The Old Rectory, which has a protection order, by 4 metres in height. A councillor had visited the site and members agreed with his comments that this application needed to be supported.

There were various discussions at the Parish Council and Annual Parish Meeting earlier over fund raising and usage of the Village Hall and Playing Field. However it was pointed out that organisers were needed to run any further events and that local residents needed to support current and any proposed events in the future to avoid losing the facilities. At the end of the meeting John Hogg was elected to fill the casual vacancy on the council. The next council meeting is on Monday June 13th.

**BURGH CASTLE PLANT SALE**

At the time of writing, the date for this year's annual plant sale at Burgh Castle has not been confirmed. However, it is expected to be at the Village Hall in early June- please watch for posters. As well as bedding and perennial plants there will be fancy goods, bric-a-brac, books stall and a raffle and refreshments will be available.

As usual, all proceeds will be donated to Burgh Castle Church general funds.

**SCOUTS NEWSPAPER COLLECTIONS**

Belton Scouts will be collecting old newspapers in Belton on Saturdays June 11th and July 9th please put papers outside properties by 8.45am. also remember not to make the bundles or bags of papers too large as some of the helpers with the collections are young members of the group.

Note that glossy magazines, leaflets and old phone directories can be included in with your papers.

The Scouts also collect any old mobile phones as well as the soft plastic bottle tops (those on milk bottles, drink bottles and similar) which are recycled by the Matthew Project who work with young people who have drug or alcohol problems. These can all be delivered to 15 Bracon Road, Belton, if you are putting bottle tops or anything else out at paper collection time please put these items into a separate bag as they all go to different locations.

If you have any enquiries about the local Scouts or the any of the above please ring (01493) 780965.

**DEMENTIA FRIENDLY LUNCHES**

These lunches will be held on a regular monthly basis at the Kings Head, Belton on the first Monday of the month although the next one being on June 6th, lunches are from Noon to 2pm, an opportunity for people with dementia and their carers to meet new people and enjoy good food in a friendly atmosphere. The cost is £6 for two courses with a vegetarian option (desert is £1, optional). There are disabled facilities and it is a safe environment, booking is essential, please contact Andrew Webb on 01493 780205.



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**POLICE REPORT**

The local, Southern Villages Safer Neighbourhood, crime figures for April were as follows:-

**Belton (16 Crimes)**

Fern Gardens - Damage 5 cars (tyres and scratching) in communal area.

Yare Road - Damage to a car bonnet.

Heather Gardens & Rosedale Gardens - In each case a car wing mirror damaged.

Waveney Drive - Tools taken from a van.

Broom Gardens - A sat nav taken from a vehicle and planters thrown on the road.

St Georges Road - Fence panel taken and thrown into another garden.

Sandy Lane - Stone damage to a window.

Ranworth Close - Moped taken from garage, left near, gear moved, several cars tampered with.

The Cove - Vehicle moved on to road and left.

Wild Duck - Handbag taken.

**Burgh Castle (4 Crimes)**

Breydon Waters - Vehicle scratched.

Burgh Hall, - Shed entered.

Parish Church - Vestry entered and safe moved.

Mill Road - Garage entered and bike taken.

**Fritton & St Olaves (3 Crimes)**

Cherry Lane shop - DVDs shoplifted, also compound entered and furniture taken and a separate forced entry.

The next SNAP meeting is at John Green Institute on Monday July 25th (7pm), the current policing priority set at the last meeting is St Peters and St Pauls Church, Burgh Castle.





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## ADRIAN AT THE BOROUGH

Two high court judges supported an earlier magistrates ruling, that schools can no longer fine parents for taking their children out of school in term time, (as an isolated event). The ruling means that the school must take a view of the overall attendance. This I feel is reasonable, as are most of our laws, they have been developed over hundreds of years, based on reason and not absolutes.

The government is now considering plans to change the legislation. This would suggest a more defined wording and perhaps parents would not be allowed even one day out of school for family events. Teachers state that children who take time off for such holidays fall behind and cannot catch up, as was stated on Jeremy Vine by a clearly irate and perplexed teacher. A caller even childishly stated that the father had a low I. Q. In fact it was the judges who determined the decision, so it was in fact those judges to whom she was suggesting had a low I. Q. If it is the case that children who take holidays in term time never catch up, then it follows that EVERY child who is ill for several days will never catch up. I have seen no evidence of that.

I do not advocate term time holidays, however, there are working parents who can only afford to spend quality holiday time with their children in term time, due to either cost constraints or work commitments. Is the government now going to legislate against children spending this time with their parents simply because of either their financial situation or work patterns or is it only the children of well off parents who are to be allowed a family holiday? I would urge the

government to consider very carefully, before it introduces any new legislation in a knee jerk reaction, otherwise they may very well have to do yet another Policy U turn.

**Cllr Adrian Myers** Lothingland Ward, Your councillor, your representative, your voice. My contact number is [07434362451](tel:07434362451) . E-mail [cllr.adrian.myers@great-yarmouth.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.adrian.myers@great-yarmouth.gov.uk)

### 1st. BELTON GUIDES

The Guides have produced some really good art projects towards their craft badge including painting on canvas using different printing methods, rubber stamps, string and marbling. We took advantage of the spell of warm weather and barbecued sausages and toasted marshmallows, always a favourite with the girls. Two of our newer members, Ellie and Marie made their promise at a recent meeting and brought parents along to witness the event. Guides celebrated the Queen's 90th birthday by dressing in red, white and blue and joining in various royalty themed quizzes and activities. The evening finished with birthday cake.



We are all very grateful for the generous grant awarded to our group by the Belton Fundraisers and we plan to use it towards the weekend away planned for November this year. We meet term time and have spaces for girls aged 10 to 14 years old. We are a very friendly group and welcome new members. Come and give us a try. For further details please contact Linda 01493 667311 or 07919 620759 e-mail [guides.1stbelton@yahoo.com](mailto:guides.1stbelton@yahoo.com).



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**Over 50/60's** Every Tuesday afternoon at (2 to 4pm). Contact Norma on 01493 780447

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**Belton Art Group** Every Wednesday afternoon (2 to 4pm) for any form of art or crafts. Call Jan on 01493 486863

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The next meeting is an outdoor evening to Caldecott Golf Club with a model, on Friday June 3rd. (by kind permission of the Club Secretary) Meet in car park 2 on right at 6.45 to 7pm. Ensure cameras have fully charged batteries and bring tripods. If very wet call Bill on 780822 that afternoon.

## WEDNESDAY MORNING DROP IN

Come along for a cup of coffee or tea and cakes. Meet new friends and chat and find out what is happening in the Village. For further information contact Sue on 780822

## JGI CRAFT GROUP

We meet every Thursday evening at the JGI from 7-9 and welcome anyone who is interested in any form of craft, from adult colouring books to zoo animal making!! Plus anything in between!! We are a friendly, (if a bit scatty) group, who enjoy our crafts and would like to extend our group. Cost is £3 per evening, including refreshments. More details from Linda on 07721 599559.

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## THANK YOU

I write on behalf of all the Trustees of the JGI to say once again a big thank you to Belton Charity Fundraisers for your kind donation of £500.00 to the JGI on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2016. We are pleased to have you as part of the hall and thank you for all the great work you do. Best wishes and thanks again.  
**Bill Richmond** (Treasurer)  
JGI Trustees

## MONTHLY COFFEE MORNINGS

The next monthly Coffee Morning at the JGI is on Saturday June 11<sup>th</sup>. (10.00am - Noon). As well as tea and coffee between 10.00 and 11.00am, bacon butties are also available. So why not join us for a late breakfast. Admission is free and there is always a raffle for one of the village groups or a local charity, this month it is being organised by the Young at Heart Group. Thank you to everybody who supported the May raffle which was organised by The Produce and Crafts Show and raised £100.

As usual there is also the bargain stall full of a wide range of items at ridiculously low prices. Belton Charity Fundraisers always welcome donations of items to sell. Anything considered except mains electrical or clothing. **Please call Gloria on (01493) 780776** or deliver to Skelmorlie, Butt Lane, Burgh Castle. Local collection of items can be arranged.

## QUIZ NIGHT

The next Belton Village Quiz Night will be on Friday June 24<sup>th</sup> at the JGI. (7.30pm) £5.00 for a team of up to four players. Good Company - Good Prizes - Good Raffle. Why not get a team together from friends/colleagues/family or from your club or group. Enter on the night, for more information please call Barbara on 01493 781294.

## QUIZ SHEET NEWS

In the "Literary Characters" quiz organised by Gloria for Belton Charity Fundraisers there were two all correct entries The Drivers and Norma Hadden and four with 29 out of 30 Grace King, B Lawrence, Roger & Yvonne Baker and Rex Coe. The Drivers name was drawn to receive the £10.00 shopping voucher.

## BELTON W.I.

The next meeting is at the JGI on Tuesday June 14<sup>th</sup> (7.30pm) when our speaker will be Charlotte Philcox whose subject will be "The Wonder of Woolies". The competition is for a Favourite Bracelet and there will be the usual sales table. For any further information please call Sue on 01493 780822.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the quizzes during the last eight months, we will now take our customary Summer rest and hope to resume again in the Autumn with the next quiz on sale from the September JGI coffee morning.

## BELTON & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

After a successful AGM at our April event when all the committee were re-elected it was back to normal in May with a visit from Ernie Childs with a reminder that any outstanding membership fees should be paid as soon as possible although non-members are very welcome at all our events. Some members are going to visit the David Howkins Museum in early June and following this with a meal at Caister and then our regular monthly events are as follows, all at 2.30pm at the JGI :-  
Sunday June 26<sup>th</sup> **'Wartime Sweethearts & G.I. Brides'** an illustrated WW2 talk with Libby Morgan plus a film **'A Friendly Invasion'** - the American Air Force in East Anglia in WW2  
Sunday July 24<sup>th</sup> **'Farming in a Bygone Age'** Illustrated talk with Brian Hedge  
Sunday September 25<sup>th</sup> (TBC) **'All About Moles'** an illustrated talk with "The Lady Mole Catcher"  
Admission to all events is £3 (members £2). We also have the monthly coffee morning raffle at the JGI on Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup> and will be pleased to see any members there. For more details about the Society please visit our web site at [www.beltonhistory.co.uk](http://www.beltonhistory.co.uk). or ring 01493 780776

**BELTON LUNCH CLUB**

The next meeting of Belton Lunch Club is at the JGI on Thursday June 16th . (Noon-2pm), lunch is served at 12.15, two courses for £5.00. All dietary needs can be catered for and there is also a raffle. Everyone welcome, please book your place at this friendly club by calling Barbara on 01493 781294.

**FISH & CHIPS + QUIZ**

We are holding a fish and chips and quiz evening on Friday 24th June at 7pm at the Queens Head in Burgh Castle, NR31 9QQ. It will cost £12 per person (including entry to the quiz), profits go to Action Against Hunger. So far we have raised £1552.34, only £1437.66 to go! Please call Dawn at the pub on 01493 780363 to book (please bring a raffle prize).

**FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS**

The following causes of death were taken from old parish registers at Burgh Castle and make interesting reading today.

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1761 Elizabeth Guyton – By fall of a barn door.

1781 Robert Harmer – By clay falling on him in a clay pit.

1797 Richard Preston – By the wheels of a wagon, from which he fell, going over his head ( His father had died in the same manner seven years before)

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## TABLE TOP & CRAFT SALES

Monthly Craft Sales are being held at the New Road Sport & Leisure Centre on the third Wednesday of each month, the next date is Wednesday June 15th open from 9.00am to 1.00pm with stallholder access from 8.15am. Please book your tables in advance, tables will be £6 each, call 01493602960, 01493 780776 or [beltonparish@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:beltonparish@yahoo.co.uk)



## BELTON BOWMEN

Belton Bowmen move to the New Road Sports Field at Belton from Monday May 30th, and then every Monday evening during the Summer. All ages and abilities are welcome Juniors/family 6pm-77pm (£3.50 per session). Adults group 7pm-9pm (or Sunset) (£5 per session) any enquiries Tel Duncan (01493) 780418 or just turn up on a Monday evening.



## MONDAY ACTIVITY MORNINGS

*These exercise classes are at New Road on Monday mornings.*

Chair Based Exercise sessions 9.30 to 10.15am, aim to improve daily functional actions; by strengthening important muscles groups though gentle movement. Regular exercise improves circulation and increases daily activity levels, seated exercise can increase your confidence and improve your Posture, balance and coordination for performing daily activities essential to living.

Learn to Nordic Walk from now through to September. These sessions will start from 10.30am to 11.15 am. Nordic Walking is an enhancement of ordinary walking - twice as effective and not to be confused with Trekking. It can burn 46% more calories than ordinary walking- is easy on joints and knees and great for neck and shoulder problems. Each 45 minute session costs £2.50 and includes refreshments at 10.15 am.

For the first time this year, seated exercise groups from Belton, Marram Green and Gunton Baptist church met for an informal fundraising get-together at the GBC. More than 30 people attended the exercise session proving that keeping fit and healthy is not all about going to the Gym. Monies raised from the event are to be given to the GBC to help with their Extension fund which still needs to be paid for. The extension plays a huge part of the wider community work that the church does in this area. Exercisers who stayed for lunch were given complimentary refreshments in the new extension before eating a home cooked hearty meal and dessert, all for £3.50 and a very good meal so I was told. Anyone wishing to go to the once a month Monday lunch is more than welcome. I will be sending a



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## TABLE TOP & CRAFT SALE

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cheque for £150 to the minister June Love at GBC and I wish to thank everyone who supported this local good cause.

We have some members of our group who are poorly at the moment and not attending. However we are still in contact with everyone who has been with us regularly over the past year. They are in our thoughts and we send them get well wishes to , hoping to see them back soon.

Our aim is to provide safe stimulating exercise for those whom movement and exercise does not come easy. The Belton Activity morning was set up by ECCH Physical Activity team in September 2011 and was handed some years later to Sallyann at up4fitness. It is still supported by ECCH and can be part of the Exercise Referral scheme used by local GP surgeries. Just contact Sallyann or come along on a Monday at 9.15 to take part in some gentle exercise and see for yourself or join us for coffee at 10.15 to find out more. Please contact Sallyann to find out how the sessions can improve your health & fitness. Call 07599 044 806, Email [up4fitness@gmail.com](mailto:up4fitness@gmail.com)

## PILATES WITH HAYLEY

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Pilates classes incorporate foam roller, weights, bands, and circles Pilates helps reshape your body which will become longer, leaner and more toned. Hayley limits her class size to twelve members for all ages and all levels in each group and currently has a few vacancies in both Belton sessions which are both mixed classes. All mats and equipment are supplied. To book call her on 07767 864568 or email [hayley@hayleyallpilates.co.uk](mailto:hayley@hayleyallpilates.co.uk)

Hayley also runs 18 other classes in the surrounding area, one of which is at Lound Village Hall on Wednesday mornings (11.15-12.15) where there are currently spaces available. Please phone or email as above for full details, as spaces are limited in some classes.

**Hayley**

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**Michael Current Walk No. 21. Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2016 - Jay Lane (Michael) to Lound (Mary) and Back - Report**

Four people took part in this walk and met at the Jay Lane garden centre where David had arranged for car parking. It was a lovely sunny afternoon.

After leaving the garden centre by turning onto Jay Lane, away from the A12 we soon took a left turn onto a footpath heading south. It is at this point that Michael passes diagonally across Jay Lane heading towards Ritson's Care Home at Hopton.

We followed this path for quite a way before turning westwards towards a wood on our right, eventually finding ourselves on another beautiful and long path (Heath Lane) heading towards Blundeston.

About half way along this path we passed a very deep pit on our left.

After turning sharply left and going through the yard at Poplar Farm we reached the Flixton Road and turned right onto it. Just before reaching Lound we crossed Michael near the lovely old Rectory house. At Earth Lane we turned right and, via the Village Hall and Green, reached Lound Church. This is a beautiful little round tower church with a wonderful, golden rood screen. Amongst the many figures on this screen there are two dragons (see photo attached to email) !.

We spent about 20 minutes here and found an energy off-shoot from the Michael current passing right through the church from south to north, through the outside wall sculpture of Christ on the cross.

Moving on northwards along a path towards the Mary current we turned right on the path parallel with Mary heading back towards Hopton (the way we had walked on the very first walk four years ago). At Cuckoo Green we turned right, crossed Mary by the phone box and walked along the lane before turning left and then, after about a quarter of a mile, right onto a footpath that headed back towards the Michael current, Jay Lane and back where we had begun.

The next and final walk will be on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June. We will meet in Hopton outside the Ritson's Lodge care home at 2.00pm. The walk will follow the Michael earth energy current down to the beach via the old St. Margaret's church ruins which have now been stabilised but still have the security fence around them. This will be the culmination of four years and forty walks. Everyone who has taken part in these walks, and anyone else interested in the project to establish a pilgrimage route along the natural earth energy currents that flow from/to Lands End, are very welcome to walk with us the very last steps of our journey from Hopton to Eye and back.

David  
May 2016

**BELTON F.C.**

One of the proudest men in the village? This is not really a question for me but rather a boastful comment. I suppose Nathan Brown may have a shout on this one too.....



This season has been so wonderful for everyone connected with Belton FC. I have had the absolute pleasure of bringing into the squad, another batch of young Belton residents. Having worked with so many young people from all over the county for years, I must say that here in the village, we do produce some of the very best. In the world of adult football there is a maturity needed to excel and this year Regan Devine, Derry Rose, Sam Waite and Shane Simpson have all proved they are great players and welcome additions to our other Belton FC home boys. Having made the transition from our Belton FC u16 squad last season, these young men have impressed with their work ethic and sportsmanship in a way far beyond their years. In a thrilling end to a fabulous season Belton FC held the unbeaten champions Catfield to a thrilling draw. At the heart of this side were the lads named above. So a third placed finish in the league for us, a truly magnificent season behind us and lots to look forward to.

I'm pleased to announce that the good folks of Haven Holidays have agreed to become sponsors of the club and from next season, we will proudly display our new sponsor's logo on the famous black and white kit whilst our application to join the Anglian Combination League again should be decided at the end of the month. We do hope this is accepted as our fine young Belton residents deserve to show their skills to a wider audience. You will however have to travel to Bradwell to see the boys in action as we do not have a football field in the village. I hope to update you on a new look committee next month as we look to push on in our quest to march forward on and off the pitch. I will also report back on the club presentation awards next month.

The club's new look website is now up and running. There are match highlights, goal of the month features as well as updates and action from other local football teams. Over the summer we will be continuing to improve and expand the site, building our YouTube presence and developing links with others.....maybe you too. Come give us a look [www.beltonfc.com](http://www.beltonfc.com)

Enjoy the weather.....speak soon

*Pete Reddy*

**GREAT YARMOUTH STROKE GROUP**

The Great Yarmouth Stroke Group held their Make May Purple awareness month purple raffle on May 13<sup>th</sup>. It was organised by Sam Clark who also brought all the prizes. Pat and Peter dressed for the event just like most of the other members. The group meets every Thursday 2-4 at the New Road Sports Hall, New Road, Belton, new members always welcomed, for information Contact Sue Casey 01493 781846.





The thatched cottage in Fritton that had its roof destroyed by fire during the night of April 27/28

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The week after the writing of this article, we are getting together for a "shop-fuddle" and coffee at Cherry Lane (not easy to get to if you don't drive). Our big event in May is working together to raise some money for the Sandra Chapman Centre by providing an afternoon tea for members of the village. And then, in June we will get ourselves involved as best we can, with the celebrations for the Queen's 90th. After that - who knows??? Please don't sit at home being lonely, give us a try! If you want more information, ring Jane Mill (781122)

**KIRKLEY & BELTON CRICKET CLUB**

On Sunday 24 April we began our Mid Norfolk Sunday league fixtures with a trip to North Runcton. On a day more akin to December than April, we lost to North Runcton CC by 50 runs. Adam Savoury's 51 and Chris Cropley's 44 led the K & B fight-

back. We also journeyed to Fakenham on May 8th. Two wickets for Paul Hodds and George Savoury could not prevent the host from amassing a formidable 212 in their innings. Azam Mir with 47 and Billy Brice with 46 led the K & B reply, but it was not enough as Fakenham ran out winners by 55 runs.

The new Norfolk Cricket League season began on 30 April with the First team away at Denver CC. George Savoury took 2 for 35 in helping to restrict the host to 192. In reply, and possibly fatigued by the over 60 mile trip to West Norfolk, K & B were 3 runs short of what would have been an historic victory. Chris Lambert's 68 not out led the batting. Redemption came a week later when we entertained Gt Yarmouth at the Common. Our 228 for 8 was compiled chiefly by 43 from Wayne Goreham and 40 from Chris Lambert. Murad Khan took 5 for 25 in restricting Yarmouth to 139 all out.

The Second 11 started with a game versus Old Catton at the Common. Paul Hodds with 3 for 36 and Murad Khan with 3 for 28 helped to restrict Catton to 166 for 8 from 45 overs. Dave Hayes was 60 not out at the end and he was supported well by Murad Khan (42) and Boby Thomas (31) as we knocked off the required runs in 40 overs to secure our first win of the season on the opening day.

In their second match the K & B Seconds scored 144 at Southwold, John Halstein's 45 was the highlight of the batting. In reply, Southwold passed our score with 10 overs to spare, Duncan Snell's 3 for 10 led the attack.

Net sessions outdoors at the Gunton Park ground are on Thursday evenings throughout the season, more details from Sajid Ali (07737 876199). Your contacts at Belton CC are: Mal Kauffman (07748 271896); Sajid Ali (07737 876199), Kirkley & Belton are on facebook - look us up. The ECB sponsored website, [www.play-cricket.com](http://www.play-cricket.com) is a good place to find information about all local clubs.

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On April 26th Bradley Hudson and Paul Lacey successfully completed their Green TITAN (Travel Independence training across the Nation) assessment and were awarded

the Independent Traveller Award. They are the first two students at Ormiston Venture Academy to have passed this final stage of TITAN training and also the first two students in Norfolk this year to have passed the Green level TITAN assessment.

TITAN is a programme developed by Norfolk County Council, which it supports students to become more independent whilst travelling around the local community and other important life skills. We see student's confidence and self-esteem growing whilst participating in this programme. There are currently 59 students on the TITAN programme at Ormiston Venture. Students work their way through 3 levels of Assessments - Red, Amber and Green. The red test involves students walking independently around a set route in the local area, demonstrating their knowledge of the green cross code. Students working towards the Amber award, learn map reading skills, behaviour expectations and keeping safe, as well as learning how to read bus timetables and planning journeys in and around the Gorleston area. The Green test is the final stage where students are expected to travel without any assistance from an adult, to a destination in Great Yarmouth using public transport.

The TITAN programme develops students social and independence skills which enables them to have the confidence to travel to and from school /work experience /college/university and work placements. In 2014 Ormiston Venture Academy was awarded the TITAN certificate of excellence for outstanding achievement in implementing the programme.

**For more information about Ormiston Venture Academy please see: Our Website: [www.ormistonventureacademy.co.uk](http://www.ormistonventureacademy.co.uk) , Our Twitter: [@OrmistonVenture](https://twitter.com/OrmistonVenture)**

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**BURGH CASTLE FORT OUTSIDE THE WALLS PROJECT**

**- Up and running! -**

In last month's Village Voice we put a call out for local people to get involved with the 'Life outside the walls project', and we have had a fantastic response – thank you!

At the public meeting on Thursday May 12th the packed village hall audience heard more about how the project will unfold over the next five months and about the training opportunities being offered. At the end of the meeting we were really thrilled by how many local people signed up for the training days. It means that, through the four main strands of activities – test-pits, oral history, school visits and visitor guiding - we will, by September, have discovered a lot more about the settlement that grew up outside the walls of the fort and we will have shared this with a wide audience.

If you were unable to come to the public meeting but feel you would like to get involved there is still time. Although our test-pit training day is fully booked, we would be pleased to hear from Burgh Castle residents who are willing to allow us to dig a test-pit in their garden or on their land.

We also have spaces on the following training workshops. All training will be located in Burgh Castle Village Hall:

**Leading school visits**

Date: Friday June 17th 2016  
Time: 10.00am-4.00pm

Exciting visits to interesting heritage sites are often the events that children most remember about their school experience. Volunteers can really make a difference by helping schools participate in stimulating and well-organised visits which can inspire life-long interests in history, archaeology and conservation.

**Visitor Guide training**

Date: Saturdays July 2nd and July 30th 2016  
Time: 10.00am-4.00pm

Visitor Guides can help to bring a site to life. Interpretation panels and written material provide interesting information, but Visitor Guides have the space and time to share engaging stories which provide deeper insights into the lives and times of people who occupied a site in the distant past.

**Oral history training**

Date: Wednesday June 8th 2016  
Time: 6.00pm - 8.00pm

We all have stories to tell. Oral history listens to these stories. Memories of everyday life, not just the lives of the rich and famous, have historical importance. If we don't collect and preserve those memories then they will disappear forever.

If you, or someone you know, have stories to share about Burgh Castle in the 20th century please get in touch.

**Date for your diary: Saturday September 10th**

On September 10th we will be holding an event to celebrate the project, as part of national heritage open days. As well as Roman cavalry soldiers, story-telling, guided tours and a live test pit at the fort, there will be stalls and refreshments in the Village Hall and an exhibition in the church. If you could spare an hour or two on the day to help us steward the event, please let me know!

Contact Caroline Davison [info@norfarchtrust.org.uk](mailto:info@norfarchtrust.org.uk) or Tel: 01603 462987 - and please pass this information on to anyone you think would be interested.

**DIGITAL CAMERA CLUB SHOT OF THE MONTH: "SHOES"**  
Photo from Mike Ives



### 1st BELTON SCOUTS

**Beavers:** The Beavers have planted onions in their garden at the Scout HQ. and planned what flowers they would like to grow in the Rectory corner garden. After a lot of looking in a seed book, flowers are going to be red/white/blue to celebrate the Queens 90th Birthday. They attended St George's day event to



renew the beaver's promises, parade our Beaver flag and had a bring a friend evening and four of these have decided to give beavers a try. We invited Marion along to talk about the village food bank and presented the food bank with suitable items. Three Beavers were presented with their Bronze Chief Award the top award at Beavers, they have since moved up to Cubs at a going up ceremony. There are still a few places at Beavers if you are aged 5 ¾ years and 8 years please phone Jane 01493 780965.

**Cubs:** Cubs have had an exciting time since Easter working on new badges, going on trips and doing some camping outside too! The young people have been working on their Naturalist activity badge, creating a wonderful bug hotel in the grounds of our scout HQ to attract all sorts of mini beasts. They have used natural materials to create a collage and been on a scavenger hunt. We have visited Burgh Castle Ruins as part of the Local Knowledge activity badge, searching for clues amongst the information boards to answer a quiz on the history of the area. Cubs joined the rest of the group on a outdoor camp. The young people learned how to put up their tents. Cubs still have lots to look forward to this month including a trip to watch The Jungle Book, some outdoor cooking for the Backwards cooking activity badge, and our weekend camp with the District at Eaton Vale Activity Centre to celebrate 100 years of Cub!



**Scouts:** Last month two of our scouts, Tyler and Owen, took part in an expedition challenge across North Norfolk alongside other scouts from East Norfolk. They were given grid references of their stop off point (Holt train station), their overnight camp (West Runton scout HQ) and their final destination point (Cromer train station) and had to plan their own routes out. We

all left Great Yarmouth early on Saturday morning on the train joining the Heritage steam train at Sherringham for the final leg to Holt. At Holt station the Scouts left with all their equipment in their backpacks hiking 7 miles to their overnight camp stop. Once at camp they put up their tents for the night, cooking their food on a tragia. The night was a cold one but the scouts were well prepared. The next day after cooking breakfast, packing up tents and kit they hiked to their end point at Cromer station. The Scouts did get lost once on route, but using their training they got back on track arriving first at West Runton on the Saturday night. Well done to both Tyler and Owen for a well deserved success.

**Group:** The group got together over the bank holiday weekend

for a group camp for the first time. Scouts and Cubs sleeping outside and the Beavers sleeping inside the Scout HQ. Saturday night they set up camp, played games, toasted marshmallows and had a very loud camp fire session singing camp fire songs. Saturday activity's ran from tracking, games, backwards cooking, mini bows and pioneering.

Well done to Belton Scout Group who won the District Flag at St Georges Day for growth, activities that the young people have taken part in the last year.

### BRANDON LEWIS MP



Alas the scriptwriters of the recent adaptation of John le Carre's Night Manager are unlikely to knock on my door anytime soon. I doubt they will turn the passage of the Housing and Planning Bill into a successful Sunday-night drama shown on BBC One, even though this latest Parliamentary saga had all the hallmarks of a page-turner thriller. Drama. High stakes. Plot twists. Strong characters.

Time running out. Uncertainty to the very last moment. A satisfying ending.

Maybe I'm getting carried away, but as the minister trying to get this particular piece of legislation through Parliament, at times it felt like I was at the centre of an elaborate cat-and-mouse game. There's an odd convention, which requires all new laws to be agreed before the end of the Parliamentary year, otherwise they are effectively blocked and then dropped. That means as the next Queen's Speech approaches there's an elaborate game of ping-pong between the House of Commons and House of Lords as they try and resolve outstanding disagreements.

The Housing and Planning Bill, which I am pleased to say is now an Act of Parliament, looked as though it might suffer this peculiar fate of running out of time. Despite strong support in the House of Commons, Labour members of the Lords were determined to wreck it as they continuously voted it down. Fortunately, common sense prevailed. It means an extension to the right to buy, already enjoyed by council house tenants for over thirty years, to all of those living in houses owned by a housing association. It means we will soon see the first "Starter Homes" built; available to qualifying first-time buyers at a discount of at least 20% less than the market value. It means local councils must keep a register of brownfield land suitable for housing development. And planning permission in principle will be possible for these sites, helping to free up locally agreed much-needed land for new houses. You can see these were important policies, which will particularly help young people to own their home. They were all policies featured in our election manifesto, which voters endorsed just over a year ago. That's why I was determined to fight for them and ensure they became a reality.

#### Brandon Lewis

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### CHURCH YOUTH DIARY

**Cornerstone and Hub:** 10th and 24th June, 8th July

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**Youth Group:** Weekly on Thursdays 6-7.30pm in Church

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There has been quite a reaction to our article in last months Village Voice (as we predicted) at the changes planned for bus services in Belton. The planned Service X11 from Belton to the James Paget Hospital at the expense of Service 7 came as a shock to ENTUA as in our discussions with First last year we were hopeful of a service that would link Belton, Bradwell and Burgh Castle to the James Paget Hospital.

ENTUA Officers met with First Bus Managers on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 and we put forward our concerns and those of residents that the removal of Service 7 during weekday hours will have on patients attending doctors and dentists surgeries in Bradwell (for some reason First Bus managers were under the impression that Falklands Surgery was closing) and the effect it will have on students travelling to Lynn Grove and Ormiston Academies, and pupils attending Woodlands

Primary School. We don't feel we made much progress other than First stating they will undertake a review of the new services after the Summer – too late we feel for passengers in both Belton and Bradwell who have used this ½ hour service for the past 5 years and are now being left with no service during weekday hours, that is except for one No 7 bus that will leave Belton Bracon Road at 0752, Waveney Drive at 0757, Bradwell Post Office 0807, Gorleston Boots 0814 arriving at Yarmouth Market Gates at 0829. However there is no return service in the afternoon.

Students from Belton will still be able to access the East Norfolk Sixth Form College by catching the X11 and alighting at the bus stop on Middleton Road just around the corner from the College. For students going to Great Yarmouth College they will still have access on Southtown Road. The first X11 buses to Norwich will leave Belton Bracon Road (Mon-Fri) via James Paget Hospital at 0706,0736,0752,0812,0852,0927,0957 then at 27 and 57 minutes past the hour until 1627. After this X11 will run at 1657,1722,1752,1822 and 1852 to Great Yarmouth only. Service 7 takes over at 1922,2022, and 2152 via the current route to Great Yarmouth.

While the obvious advantage for Belton passengers is the link to the hospital and onto Norwich without changing buses, the downside is the lack of regular services through Bradwell during the day. ENTUA has written a formal letter to the Managers at First Eastern Counties and requested that a Service 7 be continued on an hourly basis until a permanent solution can be found. The local press have been involved and by the time you read this, coverage will have been printed in the Yarmouth Mercury. ENTUA held one of its Public Meetings in Caister on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2016 and there was local concern at the loss of Service 1,1A through the Tessara Park Estate. However Service 4 has been re-routed around Tessara Park on an hourly basis Mon-Fri daytime so at least there will be a service.(unlike Beccles Road, Bradwell which will have no service at all). Evenings and Sundays the service reverts to the 1,1/A through Tessara Park. We can only do so much, it would be helpful if passengers affected by these changes contacted their Parish Councils, send letters to the Yarmouth Mercury and sign the petition that is available in Belton Pet and DIY Stores.

Just one note about Service 5 in Burgh Castle, these have been re-timed and so apart from the first bus of the day which leaves Market Gates at 0742 (Cherry Tree at 0759) from 0915 (Cherry Tree 0939) until 1715 (Cherry Tree at 1739) they all run at the same time each hour.

If you would like to join ENTUA and help us campaign for improvements to local bus and rail services we only ask for a minimum £5 annual donation which helps us cover the cost of printing and postage of our very informative quarterly newsletter. To join please write to ENTUA, 18 Wensum Way, Belton, NR31 9NY

**Tony Grice.**



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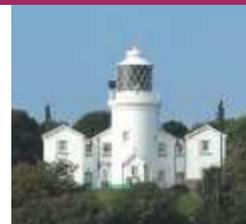
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**Belton Church Youth and Children**

Between the festivals of Easter and Pentecost, the children and young people at Belton Church have been exploring Jesus' ascension to heaven, and the coming of the Holy Spirit. Messy Church at Pentecost was great fun, with helium balloons, fiery paint and even cupcakes decorated with strawberry 'flames'! Both Messy Church and Rock Solid enjoyed using a paper plane launcher to send their folded creations into the heights of the church. Rock Solid have also experimented with mentoes and coke, and even a vacuum cleaner rocket launcher, as a way of experiencing what life can be like with God's Spirit (pretty explosive, exciting and maybe a bit messy at times...!)

Members of the Youth Group, Cornerstone and The Hub are eagerly awaiting their trip to *Intents* at the end of May, where we hope many of them will take the opportunity to discover what it means to be a Christian as well as taking a well-earned break from school, and spending time having fun with their friends.

Moorlands Academy have been back in church a lot recently, using some beautiful prayer stations created by members of the church as a way of learning more about the Lord's Prayer and learning to pray in different ways. Foxes class have also been spending time in church learning about the life of King David, as well as exploring the church yard to find out all about the history of the local area. As the final half term of the year approaches, the children and youth team at Belton Church will still be working hard to offer some brilliant events and clubs, as we think about the end of the academic year and what the summer and the *next* academic year have in store for all of us!

Jean White

**BELTONS FIRST PLAYINGFIELD**

It may not now be well known, but Belton had a playing field, well a football pitch of sorts, at least, before the opening of the one on Bell Lane in the late 1940s. It was situated off the lane leading to the marshes from Sandy Lane and has now disappeared under the Caravan site.

It must have been created after 1926 since it does not appear on the 1926 version of the 6 inch to the mile Ordnance Survey map. The area then is shown as uncultivated common land. When I was familiar with it, from the WW2 years until the early 1950s it did not look that much different, land wise, as to that depicted on the 1926 map. Indeed the only hint that this was not just another piece of the Common was the presence of a set of goal posts. There was too, on either side of the pitch area at the halfway line area, a pair of wooden huts with attached open fronted corrugated iron shelters. Presumably Home and Away team changing rooms and spectator accommodation.

The playing surface was light years away from modern playing surfaces. There was one area of fairly respectable grass extending from about the edge of the penalty area at the Marsh Lane end to about the halfway line (note no "lines" as such were ever evident) and even this did not extend the whole width of the pitch. At the halfway line, going towards the Railway Station, the ground dropped a foot or more and this half was nearly all pure sand. The remaining areas were a mixture of rough grass, heather and assorted vegetation.

Despite the terrain there were frequent "pickup" games held or kick a bouts into the Marsh Lane end goal which was less sandy. During the period immediately post WW2 there were never, to my knowledge, any organized, eg. Yarmouth and District League, games played there, indeed, before the opening of the Bell Lane Playing Field, the reformed, after WW2, Belton Football Club played its home games on a field next to the Bradwell Sun public house. Were official games played there pre WW2?

By 1950 or so the two huts were in a sad state of repair. Vandalism and neglect had taken their toll. Up to mid 1951, I would, most days, walk across the area, to and from the Station, on my way to catch the train to Beccles. After that time I was away from Belton, working and in the forces, and when I returned in 1956 the Bell Lane facility was in full use.

The only "official" event I can recall being held there was a one or two night stand by a travelling Circus who erected their Big Top on the grassed area. I am uncertain as to the date. The same area was also converted into a Cycle Speedway track and was much used as such for a year or two.

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Archie's building firm tendered for a damp proofing job, on a terraced house in Great Yarmouth. It also entailed replacing the ground floors with concrete on a D.P.C. as the house was so damp that it was almost uninhabitable.

Archie and his three men arrived on the Monday with all their equipment to start the job which had a time limit of two weeks, after which penalties were applied if there was a late finish.

He had picked up the key prior to the householder vacating the premises for the duration of the work and proceeded to open the door, he was aghast to find everything in the house still in its place. The gang of men spent the whole day clearing the ground floor of furniture. Archie went to the back of Tesco and came back with a load of banana boxes for emptying the contents of the kitchen cupboards into. The householder hadn't moved a thing, the gang of men dragged the freezer upstairs into the back bedroom inclusive of its contents and plugged it into the only power point in the room. The only item left on the ground floor was a massive cold water fish tank which must have held 40 gallons of water. This was moved with difficulty several times to allow the work to proceed. After the first day, the contract ran well and in spite of early difficulties everything was moved back downstairs ready for the customer to come home.

To say the least the customer was very pleased and the officer from the grant department was too, he commented on the quality of the workmanship and approved payment.

A couple of days after completion the phone rang in Archie's office, Archie took the call to find the lady from the grant job on the phone, complaining that everything in the freezer had gone off!

Archie told her how they had struggled to get the freezer upstairs and assured her that they plugged in and switched on to the only socket in the room. The lady replied in rich Norfolk dialect that the 'socket in that room hint worked for years!' Archie was given a list by the lady and restocked her freezer with goods from the cash and carry and was very generous with his replacements. All was well for a couple of weeks when the house phone rang one night, it was the lady from the grant job again, Archie answered and she said on broad Norfolk that 'when oi dun that there shopun list I forgot a leg o lamb'. Archie thought the lady was getting at him it but calmly comforted her by saying that tomorrow he would go and see Mick at Cobholm Butchers and get her the best leg of lamb in his shop.

The day to day running of Archie's business was going well with satisfied customers and a happy workforce. Archie had a reputation of being fair with his men and paid over the odds for good workers, likewise his customers were always satisfied with his quality workmanship. Then one day the lady from the grant job rang, Archie thought whatever does she want now? The lady sounding most upset about the damp course screamed down the phone that the insurance 30 year guarantee for this work better be ready for a claim and that Archie's firm should be struck off the register of approved contractors. Archie was furious inside but somehow calmly said that he would be over to sort the problem immediately.

Archie flew round and knocked on the door, only to be answered by a furious man and the lady, by the way the man was repairing his bike in the lounge, there it was upside down in the middle of the floor on Archie's concrete. The two of them grizzled and showed Archie the damp, Archie with his tester could not make out why it was off the scale with damp, the lady wanted compensation as she said the house was worse that before he had started.

Archie with his tail between his legs could not make it out, everything was carried out as per the DPC specification, until, hang on a minute where has that fish tank gone! It was nowhere to be seen. Archie asked where it (the tank) was, the couple came clean after a while and said that they had wanted to move it but it broke and 40 gallons of water flooded the two rooms and the lady had thought this would be covered by the guarantee. Not a word has been said since by that lady and Archie had no more dealings with her.



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Mr H	Bradwell	Set-up email address
Mrs B	Burgh Castle	Fill potholes in lane
Mrs C	Bradwell	Change smoke alarm battery
Mr & Mrs T	Browston	Temporary fix to shed roof
Mrs T	Browston	Arrange Emergency Gas Repair
Mrs L	Bradwell	Dog Walking
Mrs L	Bradwell	Hospital Visit
Mrs C	Bradwell	Arrange Lighting Repair
Mr & Mrs T	Browston	Light Hedge-trimming
Mr & Mrs P	Belton	Temporary Garage Door Repair

If you know of anybody who needs similar help, then please contact our helpline on 07544 616848 or email us at [gns4Bs@hotmail.com](mailto:gns4Bs@hotmail.com).

With special thanks this month to;

Mrs Eastwood	Browston	Loan of Brown Bin (garden rubbish)
Mr Bloom	Bradwell	Visit to tip with loaned trailer

If you can offer similar help or can spare a couple of hours each month to assist anyone in need of help in our parishes, we would love to hear from you



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**DOWN THE GARDEN PATH**



At this time of year we look forward to fresh salads and vegetables and there is nothing tastier or more rewarding than that we grow ourselves. 'You can't beat home grown!' This month I am writing about 'Patio Salads' Fairly new on the market is 'Simply Salad' Described as the simplest way for consumers to grow and enjoy both a colourful,

mixed-texture ornamental and a delicious, nutritious edible salad! Harvest every three weeks by cutting back to two inches (five centimetres) and regrow several times for more fresh salads. To go with 'Simply Salad' is the Tomatoes now with hundreds of varieties.

There is the R.H.S. Award of Garden Merit GARDENERS DELIGHT High yields of cherry sized fruits. Excellent flavour, suitable for growing in a pot needs staking. Fruit weight 14-18g with a Brix value of 7. The brix value is the measurement used to determine how much sugar is in the fruit. The higher the value, then the higher the sugar content and the sweeter the fruit will be to taste. BLACK OPAL a dark chocolate coloured cherry tomato with good flavour and texture. Each plant produces between 150 and 200 fruits per plant with an average weight of 20g. It has good general disease tolerance and strong resistance to Late Blight. Suitable for growing in a pot, it will need staking. Brix Value 9. Another R.H.S. Garden Merit Award Winner is GOLDEN SUNRISE this has attractive yellow fruits, with a distinctive flavour, Fruit weighs 70-90g in weight. F1 SUPER-SWEET 100 is extremely sweet to taste with exceptionally good flavour producing small red fruits 20g in weight that ripens easily. Brix value 7. If there is room on the patio why not grow one (or more) of each variety. (It will make a colourful display.) Finally TUMBLER Brix value 6 A miniature bush tomato bearing small fruit. 3cm in diameter. Cascading effect of the side shoots makes this variety particularly useful for hanging baskets. Trails 90-1-8m. Fruit weight 20g. Possibly the best variety of cucumber for the patio is the F1 TASTY GREEN which is excellent for outdoor production. It has a dark green skin with small white spines and a crisp, tender flesh. No bitterness. Fruit is best harvested at around 20-24cm long. Beetroot can be grown in window boxes or tubs as well as radish and salad onions. Don't forget the herbs and for the sweet Strawberries F1 Elan is the best variety vigorous plants with long, sturdy flower trusses. Large, bright red fruits are produced throughout the Summer. Height 30cm. White flowers. The science! This variety has a high level of Vitamin C. Brix value. 10-13. Vitamin C content 70-95 MGR/100g. Fruit yield 750-100g/plant. Fruit weight 12-22g Finally it is acknowledged that this variety has the finest of flavours.

Writing has made me hungry. Sadly the salads and strawberries are not yet ready, so I will have to make do with bread and cheese. Ah!

**MOORLANDS C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA**

**RECYCLING** - We have had the first emptying of our new textile recycling bank at the school and it is almost full again, this is accessible between 4 and 5.30pm in term time. A list of what can be recycled is available at [www.salvationarmy.org.uk/recycling](http://www.salvationarmy.org.uk/recycling). The proceeds from the textiles will go towards the main school hall restoration project, if you are having a clear out please think of the school.

**SUMMER FAYRE** - Our Summer Fayre this year is at Moorlands on Saturday July 9th (11am - 3pm), and we are currently looking for craft stalls at a cost of £10, for further information or to book call Vicki on 01493 782158.

**BELTON & LOTHINGLAND PRODUCE & CRAFT SHOW**

This year's Belton and Lothingland Produce and Crafts Show, our 26th, is at the JGI, Belton on **Sunday July 3rd** and residents of Belton, Browston, Burgh Castle, Fritton and St. Olaves along with members of groups based in the area and those attending Moorlands School are invited to enter.

Classes are very similar to last year, sections in flowers, plants and vegetables, home baking, art, crafts and photography as well as childrens' classes. There are the usual revisions in the photography and children's sections, we have retained the home made wine and added a beer class. The schedule was delivered with the April Village Voice and copies are available in the JGI, Belton Pet and Hardware and Burgh Castle Post Office, they are also on the Belton web site at [www.beltonandbrowston.com](http://www.beltonandbrowston.com).

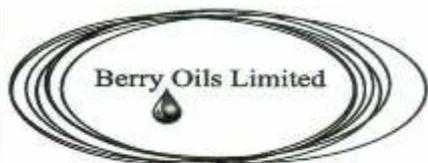
On July 3rd entries will be accepted between 9.30 and 11.30 am with viewing from 2.30pm (free admission), the trophies will be presented from 4pm by Mr Kevin Lee, headmaster at Moorlands Primary Academy. If you have any questions please ring 01493 780776 or e-mail [bcswan50@gmail.com](mailto:bcswan50@gmail.com)

**GORLESTON COMMUNITY CINEMA**

We will be showing the following films in June at Gorleston Library at 2.30pm, admission is Adults - £3.50, U18's - £3.00.

<b>The Big Short</b>	Thurs 2nd June	2.30pm
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**Rev Rosie writes .....**

Do we need a reason for a party? Well, actually, we usually do! Whether it be moving into a new house, retirement, getting married, a new baby, a wedding anniversary or a birthday, it isn't often that we just have a party with nothing to celebrate. The weekend of 10-12<sup>th</sup> June will see the official Birthday celebrations for Her Majesty the Queen, and what better reason to have a party, to celebrate Queen Elizabeth's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Hopefully it will also include a win for England who play in the European Cup on the Saturday evening, too. On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June we are planning to have a party in the Rectory Garden from 3pm until late; with a tent for Afternoon Tea, ice creams, a BBQ, a raffle, music and lots of fun activities. There will be a Cake-Bake-Off Competition where the decorations must be "fit for the Queen!". There will be two categories: Three Cup Cakes & Traditional Birthday Cake (fruit or sponge) and three age groups: Under 10, 10-16 years & Adult. If you are coming, how about dressing up in the red, white and blue theme, or wearing a hat to make it a special occasion. On Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June, there will be a Celebratory Birthday Afternoon Tea at Burgh Castle at 4pm served in the Village Hall and a very special Birthday Celebration Songs of Praise in Burgh Castle Church, featuring music and hymns that are special for the Queen. You will find further details in Village Voice or on the website: [www.allsaintsbelton.org.uk](http://www.allsaintsbelton.org.uk)

The Bible teaches that we should celebrate with those who celebrate; and to remember the good things that happen in life, not always focus on the bad. There is more than enough sad news in our world today, so for one weekend, let's celebrate and enjoy the reason for our partying – the amazing service and life of Her Majesty The Queen.

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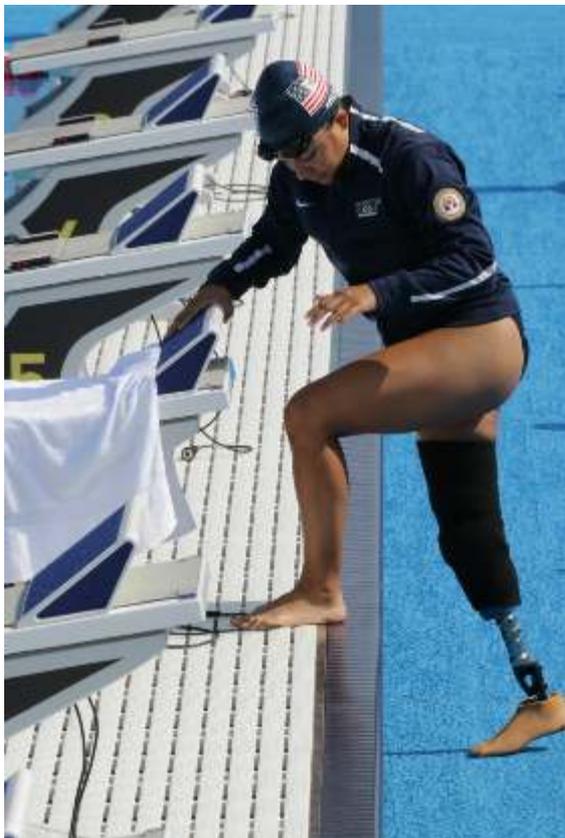
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**THE INVICTUS GAMES 2016 ORLANDO, FLORIDA**  
 Sue and I have just had the privilege of attending the Invictus Games to support our son-in-law who competed in the swimming events as an impaired sight competitor.  
 As I hope all readers know these games were created by Prince Harry to help severely injured and traumatised ex- service personnel on the road to recovery after receiving life changing injury. This is both visible injury as well as invisible injury of Post Traumatic Stress.  
 The visit to the games was exciting but also heart wrenching as you watched severely injured ex service men and women competing at their sports. The magic thing was not the winning but the taking part.  
 Listening to the many stories told by these injured people made you realise how brutal and futile war is.  
 Whether you are a Royalist or not you cannot take anything away from all that Prince Harry (only wanted to be known as Harry at the Games) has done to give these ex-service people an aim in life, especially but equally those who have this invisible injury.  
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 Bill Richmond



Prince Harry with the UK winner in weight lifting

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Next month part 3 continues with more about the tantien and abdominal breathing. Adapted from the **TCQC blue course booklet and our Relaxation CD**. For further details on Tai Chi and Qigong visit [www.taichi-qigong.net](http://www.taichi-qigong.net) or phone 01493 789992.

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**Yoga** (10.15 - 11.15am) JGI - bring your own mat or towel

**Play & Weigh Baby Group & Baby Cafe** - Breastfeeding support (1.30 - 3pm) Village Green Childrens Centre. Health Visitor & Nursery Nurse attend 1st and 3rd Monday of month. Refreshments 01493 789562

**Bingo Night** (7.30pm) JGI All welcome  
**Projection Youth Worship Band** (7.30-9pm) Belton Church 07762 817454

**Ring Craft** (8pm) St. Olaves Village Hall, Training dogs/owners for the show ring 01502 569243

**Belton Bowmen** - New Road Field Juniors/family (6-7pm) £3.50, Adults (7-9pm/sunset) £5 01493 780418

**Pilates (Beginners/intermediate)** 6 & 7.05pm New Road Sport & Leisure Centre 07767 864568

### EVERY TUESDAY

**Pilates Fitness** (9am) JGI - Improve posture/core strength £5 07747 720139

**Young at Heart** (10-noon) Belton Church. Get together for over 50's - church members or not

**Belton Over 50/60's** (2pm) JGI cards, games, bingo & refreshments

**Judo group for Juniors** (4.30 & 5.30pm) New Road Sport & Leisure Centre 07977 432756

**1st Belton Guides** (6.45 - 8.30pm) Burgh Castle Village Hall 01493 667311

**Belton Badgers** Youngest sec of St. John Ambulance (6-7pm Term Time) Compass Centre, Boys & Girls 7-10 years 01493 780418

**St. John Ambulance Cadets** (6-7.15pm Term Time) Compass Centre Boys & Girls 10-16 years 01493 780619

**St. Olaves Art Group** (7.30pm) St. Olaves Village Hall 07879 811229

### EVERY WEDNESDAY

**Drop In Coffee Morning** (10.30-noon) JGI All welcome

**Community Connexions** (11.45-12.30pm) The Tavern Belton Car Park - Fresh fruit & veg. Van

**Belton Art Club** (2-4pm) JGI Arts/crafts/hobbies 01493 488683

**Slimming World** (5.30-7.30pm) Kings Head 07796 263627

**3rd Bradwell Rainbows** (5.30-6.30pm Term Time) Burgh Castle Village Hall

**Weight Watchers** Sign in 6.15pm, talk 7pm JGI 07546 023143

**Tai Chi** (7-9pm) Cliff Park Junior School Gorleston (Belton based) 01493 789992

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### EVERY THURSDAY

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**Baby Bloom** (10-11.30am) Village Green Children's Centre £1 per week - 4 week parenting for 1st time parents/referrals 01493 789562

**Gt. Yarmouth Stroke Group** (2-4pm) New Road Sport & Leisure Centre 01493 781846

**Rock Solid** (5-6pm Term time) years 3 to 6. Belton Rectory Stables 07762 817454

**Crafters Group** (7-9pm) JGI Informal needlecraft group 07721 599559

**Youth Group** (7.30-9pm) Belton Church - Exploring Christian Youth & Fun 07762 817454

### EVERY FRIDAY

**Baby Massage** (10-11.30am) Village Green Children's Centre £1 per week 4 week programme for parents -referrals 01493 789562

**Cornerstone Open Youth Group** (6-7.30pm) Belton Church -years 6/7/8 - 07762 817454

**The Hub Open Youth Group** (7.30-9pm) Belton Church For High School Age Children 07762 817454

**NOTE** Belton Scouts (Beavers, Cubs & Scouts) meet in Belton weekly, details 01493 780965

### EVERY SUNDAY

**Pooch Paws Dog Training** (9-noon) 1 hour sessions St. Olaves Village Hall 07841 040171

**SS. Peter & Paul Church, Burgh Castle** (9.30am) Traditional Prayer/comunion

**All Saints Church, Belton** (10.30am) Modern services & activity group for children

*Find details of services below*

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

**Fri May 27th - Mon May 30th** (10-4pm daily) Burgh Castle Village Hall. Craft Fair Tel. 780126

**Sun May 29th** (9.30am) Burgh Castle Church Morning Prayer

**Sun May 29th** (10.30am) Belton Church Morning Celebration

**Wed Jun 1st** (10.30am) Burgh House. Holy Communion

**Wed Jun 1st** Mobile Library - Priory Close, St. Olaves (10.30-10.40am). New Road Playing Field, Fritton (10.45-11am). Belton from 1.50pm (times in article)

**Wed Jun 1st** (6-7.30pm) Belton Church. Messy Church

**Fri Jun 3rd** (6.45pm) Caldicott Hall Golf Club. Digital Camera Club Tel. 780822

**Fri Jun 3rd** (8pm) Burgh Castle Queens Head Team Quiz

**Sun Jun 5th** (9.30am) Burgh Castle Church Holy Communion

**Sun Jun 5th** (10.30am) Belton Church Holy Communion

**Mon Jun 6th** (Noon) Kings Head Dementia Friendly lunches booking 780205

**Tues Jun 7th** (11am) Belton Church Holy Communion Coffee from 10am.

**Wed Jun 8th** (7pm) St. Olaves V/Hall

Chilli & Quiz evening

**Sat Jun 11th** From 8.45am Belton Scouts Collecting Newspapers Belton only

**Sat Jun 11th** (10am-Noon) JGI Monthly Coffee Morning

**Sat Jun 11th** (3pm-Late) Belton Rectory. Late Queens Birthday Tea/BBQ/Party

**Sun Jun 12th** (9.30am) NO Morning service at Burgh Castle

**Sun Jun 12th** (1030am) Belton Rectory. Outdoor service-subject to weather.

**Sun Jun 12th** (4pm) B/Castle Village Hall - A Royal Tea Party followed by service in church 6pm

**Mon Jun 13th** (7.30pm) B/Castle Village Hall. Burgh Castle Parish Council Meeting

**Tues Jun 14th** (7.30pm) JGI Belton WI talk The Wonder of Woolies

**Wed Jun 15th** (9am-1pm) New Road Sport Cent. Craft Sale/table top

**Wed Jun 15th** (9.30-10.30am) New Road Sport Centre Belton & Browston Parish Clerks surgery

**Thurs Jun 16th** (Noon-2pm) JGI Lunch Club lunch served 12.15pm

**Sun Jun 19th** (9.30am) Burgh Castle Church Holy Communion

**Tue Jun 21st** (7.30pm) New Road Sport Cent. Belton/Browston Parish Council meeting

**Fri Jun 24th** (7pm) Queens Head B/Castle Fish & Chips + Quiz Tel 780363

**Fri Jun 24th** (7.30pm) JGI Quiz Night Teams of 4

**Sun Jun 26th** (9.30am) Burgh Castle Church Morning Prayer

**Sun Jun 26th** (10.30am) Belton Church Holy Communion

**Sun Jun 26th** (2.30pm) JGI Belton Hist. Soc. 'Wartime Sweethearts & G.I. Brides' Illustrated talk with Libby Morgan

**Wed Jun 29th** Mobile Library Priory Close, St. Olaves (10.30-10.40am). New Road Playing Field, Fritton (10.45-11am). Belton from 1.50pm (times in article)

**Thurs Jun 30th** (1-3pm) Village Green Childrens Centre. Debt Advice

**Wed Jun 29th** (All day) Gt. Yarmouth market. Burgh Castle Church has the charity stall.

**Sun Jul 3rd** JGI Produce & Craft Show Entries 9.30-11.30am & Viewing from 2.30pm

**Sun Jul 3rd** (9.30am) Burgh Castle Church Holy Communion

**Sun Jul 3rd** (10.30am) Belton Church Morning Celebration

**Tues Jul 5th** (11am) Belton Church Holy Communion Coffee from 10am.

**Wed Jul 6th** (10.30am) Burgh House. Holy Communion

**Wed Jul 6th** (6-7.30pm) Belton Church. Messy Church

**Sat Jul 9th** From 8.45am Belton Scouts Collecting Newspapers Belton only

**Sat Jul 9th** (10am-Noon) JGI Monthly Coffee Morning

## MALCOLM'S EPIC BUS JOURNEY

*This is a compressed report of our nature writer, Malcolm Metcalf's epic bus journey round England in April raising funds for the East Coast Hospice.*



SAT. April 2nd. Friends, flags and placards, gave me a good send off from Gorleston on my epic bus journey, raising funds for the Hospice. My X1 bus arrived just after 6.15 am. Near Swaffham Radio Norfolk rang my mobile to talk live to David Whiteley.

After riding 5 buses I arrived in Nottingham on time at 3.15pm Staying at the Fairhaven Guest House.

SUN. From 10.45 am. three buses took me to York, via Worksop, Doncaster, and Selby, stayed in The Safeway Hostel. For £18, I rate this the finest hostel in England.

MON. April 4th. My 9.30am. The X30 bus took me to Thirsk, then number 72 Northallerton on to Darlington. Stayed night in "The Boot & Shoe" a very noisy pub with a Karaoke till 11.30 pm.!

TUES. A Sapphire bus 7 took me to Durham, then the X2 to Newcastle, stayed in the Rooms Inn V.G. Loved Newcastle. Interviewed by The Chronicle newspaper and later talked on Radio Newcastle.

THUR. Stagecoach bus 685 to Carlisle at Hexham interviewed on mobile by Southport newspaper, stayed in Carlisle at Arkdale Lodge Guest House V.G. Proprietor returned my booking fee for my sponsorship and give me packed lunch (5 star).

FRI. My Stagecoach bus 104 leaves on time at 9.32am en-route Penrith, 2 hour stay enjoyed, then bus 106 to Kendal stay at Sundial guest house V.G, what a lovely town.

SAT. April 9th. Stagecoach bus to Southport via Lancaster, Preston, two days in the Edendale Guest House, enjoyed walking on Southports long pier, second day spent in Liverpool visited "The Cavern" and the superb Museum of Liverpool (Free).



MON. April 11th. Arriva bus drives through the long Queensway Tunnel to Birkenhead Chester, and my stop for the night at Oswestry Travelodge V.G.

TUES. April 12th. Bus to Shrewsbury Telford, Ironbridge to Kidderminster sleeping at a Travelodge V.G.

WED. April 13th. Bus X3 to Redditch, Stratford-On-Avon. Oxford. Visit to Oxford Times Newspaper for interview, Sleep at the Backpackers Hostel (old and dirty) but my room contained two very pretty nurses from Australia !!

THUR. April 14th Oxford City bus 4 to Dry Sandford School where I was a pupil 75 years ago I gave a talk to the school, visited all the classes Have since received 27 letters from the 10-11 year olds. At 6pm caught the Swanbrook bus to Cheltenham. to stay two nights with my sister in law Pat, treated to a nice meal with her sister Margaret and husband Fred.

FRIDAY April 15th Visited my niece Alison and husband Alec who had been working hard on my behalf on Twitter and Blog sending my notes and photos, later I met my other niece Christine and her husband Chris.

SAT. April 16th. 9am bus to Tiverton via Gloucester, Bristol. Two days in the Angel Guest House V.G. (saw my first swallow).

MON. Bus to Exeter Newton Abbott, Torquay Brixham, there to stay with Chris and Sophie, children Lyla and Erin for two days, great hospitality and a wonderful trip to Berry Head.



WED. Bus to Weymouth via Bridport, Seaton and Lyme Regis stayed at the Molyneux Guest House V.G.

THUR. X53 bus to Southampton to stay with another niece Jayne husband Graham and their children.

FRI. Walked 5 miles through New Forest (heard first cuckoo) Later visited Winchester to see old school friend Norman Stewart and his wife Diane.

SAT. April 23rd. Visited Hورشam with Emily's boyfriend Frankie, went to the magnificent Abbey, saw trout in the river Test. An evening visit to Totton to see my niece play violin in Chamber Orchestra. Was very proud of

her.  
SUN. Bus to Brighton via Chichester, then Littlehampton, stayed in a hostel (5 STAR)

MON. Bus to Croydon via Redhill stay in Travelodge V.G.

TUES. Bus 197 to Peckham Sleeping at Peckham Lodge V.G.

WED. Bus 12 to Oxford Circus Ilford, 717 To Romford, service 28 to Westcliff-on-Sea for two days with my sister Pam and husband Michael and visit niece Mandy and family.

FRI. Bus to Ipswich via Chelmsford and Colchester Stay in Carlton Hotel V.G.

SAT. April 30th. Bus from Ipswich to Diss, Norwich and journeys end at Great Yarmouth for a great reception complete with T.V coverage.

**At the time of writing Malcolm had raised over £3500, well done Malcolm!**

(Malcolm's nature notes return next month)



### The start of the East Coast Hospice

**The unveiling of a plaque and the dedication of the land for the New East Coast Hospice (Margaret Chadd House) was carried out by the Bishop of Norwich, The Right Revd Graham Richard James on the afternoon of April 28th 2016. He is pictured here with Margaret Chadd.**

**KATRINA MARSHAM AND JANICE GRICE  
NAMED CITIZENS OF THE YEAR**



This year there was a double award for Belton's Citizen of the year, presented at the Annual Parish Meeting,

Katrina Marsham and Janice Grice received the award for their help and assistance looking after a neighbour's home and animals whilst he had a longer than expected stay in hospital.

Their certificates were presented to them at the Annual Parish Meeting.

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