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COMMUNITY VILLAGE CLEAN-UP-DAY IN BELTON

Although David our caretaker does a great job in keeping Belton free of litter, it is impossible for him to be everywhere. The Village Voice in cooperation with the Belton with Browston Parish Council will sponsor a Village Clean-up Day on Saturday 21st September morning. All necessary equipment will be provided including sacks, gloves, fluorescent jackets and pickers but we cannot supply the people. This is where you come into the equation to make it a success. We would like to get at least 40 people involved on the morning to litter pick, take it to central collection points and report any other concerns that might be discovered during the morning. We propose to cover 6 main areas in Belton (please see article on page 7).

Even if you do not live in Belton, please consider volunteering for this initiative. If it is a success, the Village Voice will work on similar initiatives in the other villages covered by the magazine. Please consider giving approximately 2.5 hours of your time and make it a family/ community project. Please email your name and contact details to the Village Voice at beltonvveditor@gmail.com or call 780822. We will reply with meeting places and times and hopefully appoint a lead/coordinator for each area. The August edition of Village Voice will have more information about your response and progress on the plans. Please help and support your Village Voice and our villages.

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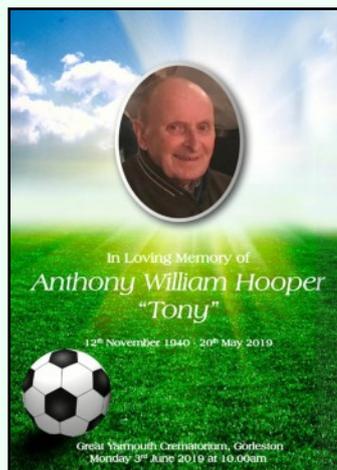
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor



My wonderful husband passed away at the James Paget on the 20th of May and his funeral was on Monday 3rd June. I would like to thank all my family, friends and neighbours who came to the funeral and the wake at the Kings Head, we really did celebrate Tony's life. I will be moving back to Essex eventually to be near my boys and the rest of my family and starting a new chapter in my life with our dear little dog Bertie. I have made a lot of friends over the 19 years we have lived in Belton and we enjoyed every one of those years. I will miss the Village and my friends, but mostly I will miss Ellie, Kyle and their three lovely children, my neighbours. They have gone above and beyond in helping me from when Tony went into hospital until his death and are still looking after me and making sure I'm okay every day, bless them. They have become like family now and we will always keep in touch, I love them dearly.

June Hooper and Bertie

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK



Our cover story this month is about a Village Voice initiative, spearheaded by my colleague Bill Richmond, to organise a community project to deliver a clean-up day in Belton (see pages 1 and 7). I do hope that you will volunteer in large numbers and make it a success that can be repeated in the other villages served by this magazine.

Many of you should be familiar with the bikes in Belton which have attracted considerable attention. It all started with two bikes chained to lamp posts on Bracon Road and Rectory Corner which attracted removal notices from the Great Yarmouth Borough Council's environmental services. This was followed by many bikes, some decorated, appearing around the village. The story was picked up by Radio Norfolk, Great Yarmouth Mercury and the Eastern Daily Press and featured prominently on social media platforms with headlines raising the prospect of a Belton Banksy. Like many of these things, it divides opinion- many see it as a bit of harmless fun and others as a joke that isn't particularly funny. What induces a smile in one has become an eyesore for the other.

In the midst of all this though, some flower arrangements on private land attract universal appreciation (photos). In these troubled times, I am grateful for any consensus!

Regi Alexander, Editor



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Every month your magazine includes a column purportedly written by Brandon Lewis of the Conservative Party. Due to the current interest in political matters, would it also be possible to include comments or views from other parties, independents and ordinary, normal people?

Lynne McQueenie

(Elected representatives are offered a column. Any reader is welcome to write in with their views. Editor)



BELTON WITH BROWSTON PARISH COUNCIL



www.beltonwithbrowston.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/

MAY COUNCIL MEETING

At the Belton with Browston Annual Parish Council meeting on May 15th which was the Annual Meeting, Peter Nichols was re-elected as chairman and Michael Graystone as vice-chair, Lin Hillier and Lee Staff were both co-opted back on to the council giving it 10 members, with a further three seats available anybody interested in joining the council is asked to contact the Parish Clerk, Kate Palmer, on 01493 602960 for details. As well as the ten Parish Councillors present also attending were recently elected Borough Councillors Tracy Cameron and Adrian Myers plus one member of the public.

Members discussed the condition of the car park at the New Road Sports Centre and agreed to accept a quotation to add some hardcore and level the surface whilst investigating the cost of a longer term solution, members were reminded that any solid type surface would need planning permission due to the regulations concerning surface water run off.

Members agreed to make a donation from their social inclusion budget to the Great Yarmouth Stroke Group who use the New Road Centre, this to assist with the costs of special vehicles used to get members to meetings.

The internal auditors report for the 2018/2019 accounts was accepted, there were no queries raised and all statements for the external audit return were agreed and signed off.

There were no objections to revised plans for the two bungalows to replace 'Brentwood' on St Johns Road, or plans for a bungalow in front of Holly Cottage on Sandy Lane although clarification on the new entrance was requested. There were also no objections to proposals for first floor extensions at 131 Station Road North, Belton. The Borough Council had approved plans for a new garage at Fairways on River Way and alterations and extensions at 26 Heather Road, Belton.

Members discussed obtaining some trees or hedging, on offer from the Woodland Trust, and Belton Football Club made an offer to organise getting and setting some of the hedging plants to go along the far end of the New Road field to make a windbreak for the area, further discussion will take place at the next meeting over suitable locations in the village for additional plantings of trees or hedging to take place.

The next meeting of the council is at the New Road Centre on Tuesday July 16th (7.30pm).

PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY Could YOU serve your local community?

There are at present two vacancies on Belton with Browston Parish Council which the council are able to fill by cooption. The council currently meets at the New Road Centre on the third Tuesday of each month (7.30pm), although this will change to the first Tuesday of each month from this September. If you would like to put something back into the local community and help make a difference further information is available from the Parish Clerk, Kate Palmer on 01493 602960 or e-mail beltonparish@yahoo.co.uk or the chairman Peter Nichols on 01493 780703.

COUNCIL DIARY

COUNCIL - The next meeting of the Parish Council will be at the New Road Sport and Leisure Centre on Tuesday July 16th (7.30pm), there will be no meeting in August and then from September meetings will change to the first Tuesday of each month, therefore meeting on Tuesday September 3rd (still at New Road)

SURGERIES - The Parish Clerk, Kate Palmer, is available monthly to meet informally with and take note of residents queries, (Parish Clerks Surgery), please note revised days and times, the next meeting is on Wednesday July 10th, at the New Road Centre between 1 and 2pm, as usual there will not be a session in August and the September date is still to be decided. To confirm that Kate will be there please call 01493 602960, e-mail Beltonparish@yahoo.co.uk, she can also be contacted in writing at 56, Victoria Road, Gorleston, Great Yarmouth, NR31 6EF.

COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME



May was busy with 29 lifts given. Our team of eight drivers are happy to offer support to those in need. Thank you to them all, they give up their time so patiently to help those in our community who struggle to access public transport.

To book a car please call 07767063986, Passengers can book a car to take them shopping, to social events, connections for holiday travel or medical appointments. The only stipulation being they are resident in one of the five villages and can walk to the vehicle. We ask for at least 24 hours notice as all our drivers are volunteers, but are very willing to do our best to help. To find out more or to volunteer please contact:-

mgreenacre532@gmail.com or call 01493780126

CRIME REPORT FOR APRIL

Below is a list of the crimes recorded for our local villages in April 2019 according to the figures supplied by Norfolk Constabulary to the Police UK web site.

- Burgh Castle (Total 8) (Apr 2018 - 3)**
2 x Violence, 1 x Criminal damage, 1 x Theft other, 4 x Anti Social Behaviour
- Belton (Total 32) (Apr 2018 - 14)**
7 x Anti Social behaviour, 15 x Violence / Sexual offence., 4 x Burglary, 1 x Criminal Damage / Arson, 4 x Other Theft, 1 x Other Crime
- Browston (Total 4) (Apr 2018 - 0)**
3 x Violence, 1 x Criminal Damage
- Fritton (Total 0) (Apr 2018 - 4)**
- St. Olaves (Total 0) (Apr 2018 - 0)**

MONEY & DEBT ADVICE

Free, impartial and confidential advice and guidance on a range of money and/or debt issues is available at the Village Green Children's Centre, Belton from a representative from D.I.A.L usually on the last Thursday of every month (1.00 – 3.00pm). The next dates are July 25th and August 29th. With the pending closure of the Village Green Centre the August session will be the last at this location although Dial are investigating other possible locations in the area to continue this service. For more information on current sessions call 01493 789562 or e-mail childrenscentre@moorlands.norfolk.sch.uk

BURGH CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL: JUNE

Six Parish Councillors, Borough Councillor Adrian Myers and three members of the public attended the June 10th meeting of Burgh Castle Parish Council, Brian Swan was in the chair.

There were various outstanding highways matters discussed and with no updates available on any it was agreed that our local County Councillor be copied in on all reminder e-mails that are sent. He will also be included in e-mails pressing to ensure that the water leak at Stepshort is sorted this September as promised and reminding County Highways that they promised that resurfacing (which needs to be more than a *surface only* job) was promised for 2019. Although this is just in Belton the route is used heavily by residents from Burgh Castle. Members agreed to ask County Highways to investigate the new gateway design at a property on Lords Lane as the associated fencing comes right up to the carriageway and was described by members as a driving hazard.

There were three planning applications, no objections to plans for a single storey dwelling at Burgh Castle Nurseries, it is on the footprint of some unused buildings, also no objections to a new carport and garage extension at Holdan House on Church Road. Although revised plans were received for alterations at Bishy Barneybee on Back Lane members agreed that the response should be still be objecting to the extension with the same reasons as given at the last meeting. The Borough Council have approved outline plans for a new dwelling next to Tree Tops on High Road, but with various conditions.

The new seat at the Village Sign, which has been donated and paid for by an anonymous donor should be installed by the end of July, it will go on a concrete base and be secured. The two proposed trees will not now be set till Autumn as the planting season has been missed however the councils gardening contractors have planted flowers in the three beds, confusion has arisen over organising this and the contractors will be advised that the council would like locally sourced plants to be used in future and to have a say in the plants used.

Members agreed wording for an improved sign on the burial ground, a formal quote will be obtained in time for the next meeting when the schedule of fees will be reviewed, these have not been increased for two years.

Councillor Griffiths reported that although gaining one new volunteer, Speedwatch had suffered three resignations in the last month therefore any offers from potential volunteers would be appreciated, the group is still going out as much as possible.

The next meeting of the Council will be at the Village Hall on Monday July 8th (7.30pm).

FRITTON & St. OLAVES COUNCIL MEETING

Nine Parish Councillors plus Borough Councillor David Drewitt and one member of the public attended the March meeting of the Parish Council, Allan Mendum was in the chair.

Sites for the SAM2 speed reduction unit were discussed and those agreed by members were, outside the Decoy Barn, on the main road and New Road (opposite Warren Loke) both in Fritton and in St. Olaves next to The Warren on the main road and outside Squirrels Drey on Herringfleet Road.

The Parish Council had no objections to two planning applications, at Fritton Lake the enlargement of the outdoor leisure area and at Herringfleet House, Herringfleet Road, St Olaves a garage to store vintage cars.

At the councils annual meeting in May Allan Mendum was re-elected as chairman and Stannas Bellaby as vice-chair. John Stephens was co-opted on to the council to bring it back to full strength (ten members)

The next meeting of the Parish Council is at St. Olaves Village Hall on Thursday July 25th (7.30pm)

FRITTON & ST. OLAVES 'SAM' URGENTLY NEEDS HELP

Fritton and St Olaves Parish Council need volunteers to move the new anti speeding 'SAM 2' flashing speed warning sign round a series of predetermined locations (see above) on a monthly basis in Fritton and St. Olaves, this will include changing the units batteries. If you can help please contact Parish Clerk, Kate Palmer on 07827 681269 or e-mail fritton.stolaves.clerk@outlook.com



4Bs GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME

Whilst it has undertaken many small tasks to help residents in Belton, Browston, Burgh Castle and Bradwell over the last three years the Good Neighbour scheme is still in limbo awaiting the start up of the similar county wide Good Neighbour Plus scheme with our local group intends

to be a part of. Currently funding issues are being sorted out centrally but it is hoped that the scheme will re-launch very soon. To keep in touch contact Steve Carter on 07544 161848 or e-mail gns4bs@hotmail.com. Some of the jobs undertaken by the old scheme were dog walking, hospital visits, adjustments to walking aids, befriending, small house hold repairs and light gardening work.

FRITTON BINGO

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FRITTON with ST. OLAVES PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council of Fritton with St Olaves is made up of 10 members who represent the villages and the local residents in matters including planning, provision of recreational facilities, crime prevention, footpaths, certain aspects of road maintenance, litter and open spaces.

Council Meetings are held every 2 months alternately between Fritton Village Institute and St Olaves Village Hall, meetings commence at 7:30 p.m

25 July 2019 St Olaves Village Hall
26 September 2019 Fritton Village Hall
28 November 2019 St Olaves Village Hall

Parish Councillors

Chairman Mendum, Allan
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To report any issues to the Parish Council please contact: Parish Council Clerk, Kate Palmer, 56 Victoria Road, Gorleston NR31 6EF
[email: fritton.stolaves.clerk@outlook.com](mailto:fritton.stolaves.clerk@outlook.com)

BURGH CASTLE VILLAGE HALL & CHURCH

TEA ROOM -The tea room at the Village Hall on Church Road is now open every Wed/Thurs/Fri until the end of the season. Please come along for a cuppa and at browse our bargain stalls.

Our thanks to the ladies who provide the wonderful cakes and those ladies and gentlemen who give up their time to 'staff' the hall. Without these volunteers it would not be possible to have this valuable source of income for our Church and Village Hall.

We are always looking for donations of good quality bric-a-brac, books, produce etc. We will take donations at any time and can arrange to collect from you, call 01493780126 or e-mail mgreenacre532@gmail.com

BURGH CASTLE QUIZ NIGHTS

The monthly quiz on June 7th raised £151 for the Church Restoration Fund. Why not come and join the regulars at this friendly gathering at The Queens Head on the first Friday of every month (next quiz July 5th), - Get a team together, up to six players at £1. per person, the evening also includes a raffle, details from Maureen on 01493 781747. We start quizzing at 8pm but please arrive earlier if you are ordering food which is available from the bar.

LOTHINGLAND CLT

The Lothingland Community Land Trust met last month and amongst other things discussed a possible development in Burgh Castle. The piece of land had already been identified by the Borough Council as suitable for housing



development. It is incumbent on the trust to explore all opportunities in such housing developments. One might be to involve a housing association if that involvement did not conflict with the stated aims or policies of the trust. One of those policies is to ensure that any property that the trust owns or develops, has the final say as to who occupies those properties.

I have invited Mark Walker from Orbit Housing to attend our meeting on the 20th of June. Orbit Group is a group of housing associations providing affordable housing to around 40,000 households in England, mainly in the Midlands, East Anglia and the south east.
<https://www.orbithomes.org.uk/about-us/>
Adrian Myers Chair Lothingland C.L.T.

LET US HAVE A REUNION LOTHINGLAND SECONDARY MODERN SCHOOL

We are planning a reunion of ex-pupils of Lothingland Secondary Modern School who started late 1960's leaving early 1970's to take place at Belton Kings Head with a sumptuous buffet and music from this era on Saturday October 26th at 7pm. Tickets are £10.95 to include buffet and are available from Jean Samuels nee Brooks email browston56@gmail.com / 07909991871 or Beverly Brown nee Cole email bevbrown59@live.co.uk Please publicise this event to anyone you know who attended at this time. It's hard to believe that it's been 50 years since some of us last met up. What a catch up!

Jean Samuels

MOBILE LIBRARY

There are different days for Mobile Library visits to Belton from those for Fritton and St Olaves. For more information on the 4 weekly visits to Belton, Fritton and St Olaves contact the Mobile Library service as follows: central.mobiles.lib@norfolk.gov.uk or phone us on: 01603 222 303 or visit www.norfolk.gov.uk/libraries (There is no service to Burgh Castle).

The next visits to Belton will therefore now be on Wednesdays July 3rd and July 31st. at the following points.
14:00 – 14:10 : Belton - Alderslea, 7, Station Road South
14:15 – 14:30 : Belton - Amhurst Gardens

14:35 – 15:25 : Belton - Belton - Moorlands Primary Academy / Children's Centre
15:30 – 15:45 : Belton - St Robert's Way

The next visits to Fritton and St Olaves are Wednesdays July 17th and August 14th , at the following locations
15:15 – 15:35 : Fritton - New Road
15:40 – 16:00 : St Olaves - Priory Close off Herringfleet Road

SOMERLEYTON ART EXHIBITION

We are working hard getting exhibitors for the 4th annual Art Exhibition at Somerleyton Village hall on Sunday July 6th 11am till 3pm. Refreshments will be available. £1 entrance for adults, children free. This is a further event towards the fund raising for refurbishment project for the hall.

The craft fair in May was brilliant and well supported, we raised £450. A great day had



by stall holders and visitors, we even had the Somerleyton Strummers, they played and sang to everyone. Lots of tea and cake sold. There was a huge huge community spirit displayed on the day, lots of volunteers and lots of donated cakes, all helping us raise an amazing sum.

Somerleyton is a special place to live and the people are all coming together to fund the all important refurbishment project. It's taking time but things are getting there, lots more big expenses to come. We will make it with the help of so many people who come out to support every one of our fundraisers, we thank all of them. Without that support we could not accomplish so much. The school fete will also be held on the 6th July on The Green, which brings in thousands of visitors. please also come down through the village to the hall and see the wonderful local art by some amazing artists on display and which can be bought a reasonable prices.

GORLESTON COMMUNITY CINEMA Gorleston Library - Thursdays

The next films at Gorleston Community Cinema at Gorleston Library are :-
Thursday July 4 'Room At The Top' 1959 (12) 2.30-4.15
Thursday July 18 '9-5' 1980 (15) 2.30-4.15

Admission is £4 (Under 18's £3) No booking required. (Doors open 2pm)



BRANDON LEWIS MP WRITES

You could say the last few months have been somewhat politically turbulent. Starting with MPs refusal to back the Prime Minister’s Brexit deal that would have meant we left the European Union on 29th March — and ending with Theresa May confirming her departure from 10 Downing Street, triggering the starter gun on the race to find her successor.

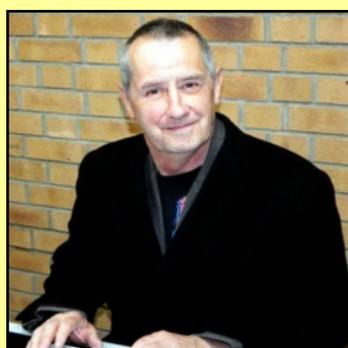
While out and about around the constituency residents showed their respect for the Prime Minister and how she served her country by so determinedly trying to get the deal agreed. There’s a real feeling of frustration at the Parliamentary log-jam (caused by a lack of majority for any Brexit option) and an oft-muttered grumble of “just get on with it!” I am sure MPs across the country have heard the same sentiment during recent elections; I hope that they will heed the instruction.

Despite the Brexit deadlock, important pieces of legislation have quietly passed through the various stages required to become law, and I want to mention three:

If you rent your home, you now benefit from greater protections for tenants, including a right to take legal action against rogue landlords that rent unfit or unsafe properties. Alongside this, we’ve banned letting fees that added another financial burden on those signing up to a new lease and capped the deposit amount a landlord can ask for at the beginning of a tenancy.

Hundreds die every year, waiting for an organ transplant. While organ donations have increased significantly over the last decade; there is still a shortage of donors. We’ve changed the organ donation system, from an opt-in donor card to an opt-out. Where someone hasn’t decided to donate their organs during their life, the default position now assumes consent. It’s a significant change that will save lives.

As an animal lover, a dog owner and a former Police Minister, I am particularly proud to see Finn’s Law make it to the statute book. It is named after the retired police dog Finn, who suffered horrific knife injuries as he stopped an armed robber. The new law introduces tougher sentences for anyone who harms a service animal while they are in the line of duty. It recognises the bravery and skill shown by police dogs and their dedicated handlers. It is right they receive the protection they deserve.



BOROUGH COUNCILLOR ADRIAN MYERS

Dear residents
This letter is by way of an update. I have now formed and I am the leader of, an independent group in the Borough Council. This has allowed me to be appointed to the Policy and Resources, Economic Development and Development Control committees. These are some of the most important committees dealing with council policy and finances, investment and growth in the borough, and local planning.

I will be attending all the three parish councils on a regular basis, I will be organising and supporting local events. I have the honour of already being the chair of the Village Voice magazine board as well as chair of the Lothingland Community Land Trust. If any resident has an issue that they feel I might be able to help with, then please, do not hesitate to contact me.

Cllr.adrian.myers@great-yarmouth.gov.uk Tel. 07824313792



BOROUGH COUNCILLOR TRACY CAMERON

Just a short note this month to say that I have been appointed to the following committees on the Borough Council, the Environment committee, Drainage Board, In Bloom Committee and Housing and Neighbourhood committee. I can be contacted as follows, by email cllrtracy.cameron@great-yarmouth.gov.uk or phone. 07968

882240.



COUNTY COUNCILLOR ANDY GRANT

Dear residents,
I hope you are all well. At Norfolk County Council we are into the new financial year and the same issues persist in trying to prepare for next years budget. We still have significant savings to make and uncertainties around future government settlements to the council make that work harder. All councillors across the board are putting pressure where they can so we can plan better for the future.

The council also changed to the Cabinet system and I have been promoted to Cabinet member for waste and Environment and look forward to putting change in where possible by improving our recycling, improving our environment where we can and cutting down on our carbon emissions where financially possible. Demand for adult social care and children’s services continues to grow whereas our income remains the same. The percentage of our income going to these areas means less for other areas and getting the balancing act right is hard. These departments have new schemes coming in line this year with service changes and we will see the outcome of these by the end of the financial year. Locally the issue remain the same with Highway issues which I’m working with colleagues and the highway engineers to get rectified. There is a lot of discussion and planning going on in getting the New Road cycle path improved. A scheme will be drawn up by September which I will be eagerly awaiting, the next issue will be the funding of this which I’m hoping several pots can be drawn from but I will report back once I have more information. On the issue of speeding I’m still liaising where possible to get more enforcement but with an overstretched police force this is unlikely to change soon. I’m also attempting to change NCC policy to enable more roundels installed particularly through Fritton and St Olaves which has a terrible speeding issue.

If I can help with anything or any issues I should be aware of please don’t hesitate to get in contact.

COMMUNITY VILLAGE-CLEAN-UP DAY
(Cover story)

The areas in Belton we would like to cover on the morning of Saturday 21st September are

1. Station Road from the Rectory Corner to and including River Way as well as Sandy Lane and the Lokes.
2. St Johns Road and Waveney Drive including Paddock Close, Berry Close, Orwell Crescent and Bure Close.
3. New Road from The Pavilion to Bracon Road including Stepshort to junction of Mill Road and Deben Drive and Yare Road.
4. Bell Lane from the Church to Dashwood Close including the playing field and side footpaths.
5. Church Lane from New Road to and including Beccles Road to the Crossroads, plus all paths in St Georges Road and St Roberts Way area.
6. Bracon Road from Station Road to the Rectory Corner, including Heather Gardens, Fern Gardens, Rosedale Gardens, Silver Gardens, Amhurst Gardens, Selwyn Drive and other small roads in that area.



THE MALCOLM METCALF COLUMN

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Cuckoos

My good friend Len Soards rang asking if I would like a trip out. We settled for Burgh Castle. Len has a great gift of observation, and soon after our arrival saw and heard a Cuckoo, our first of the year, this was being mobbed by a Swift. The Cuckoo (*Cuculus canorus*), about 13 inches (33cm) in size small head, thin bill, tail long and rounded, very pointed narrow wings, grey head and neck with distinctive black and white barring on underparts. Many people have heard a Cuckoo, but are unfamiliar with seeing one and might mistake it for a hawk.

Cuckoo's eat insects, especially their larvae, but will also eat beetles, flies, butterflies and moths, in particular hairy or toxic caterpillars of



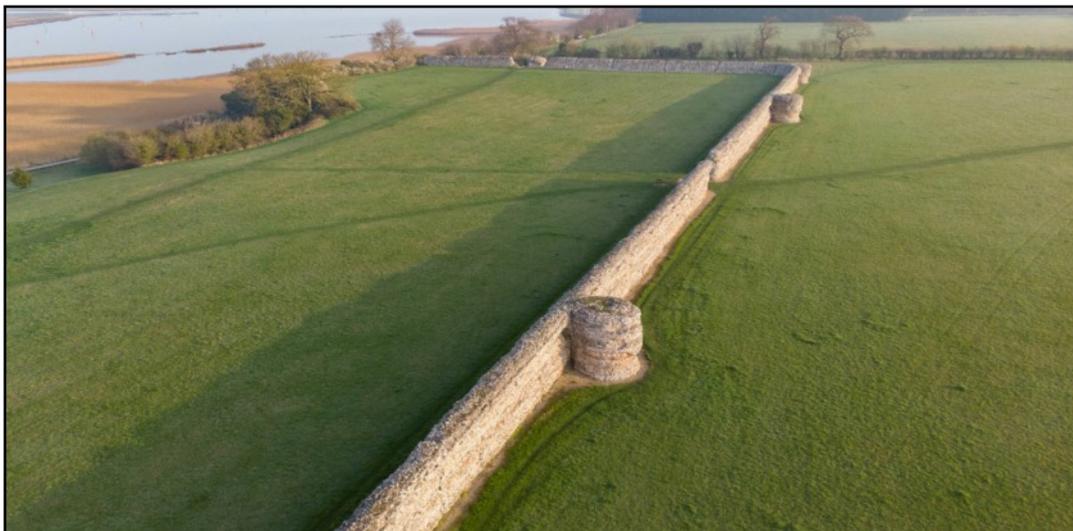
cinnabar moths. Tamara Betts of Belton has just telephoned me about hearing a Cuckoo at 1.30 a.m, I wonder if other readers have heard a Cuckoo calling at night? The hen Cuckoo has a chuckling note, she patrols a fairly limited area, while on the lookout for nests in which to lay her egg. Each individual Cuckoo parasites the same host species and lays eggs of the same type throughout her life. The most common species to lay her eggs in are Reed Warblers, Dunnocks (Hedge Sparrows) Meadow pipits, and sometimes Pied Wag-tails. She can lay 10 - 15 eggs each year, one in each hosts nest. When ready to lay the hen sweeps down to the nest, quickly removes an egg in her bill, and lays her own egg in its place.

For its size, its eggs are rather small and they have a relatively thick shell. The egg hatches in about 12 days, often before its nest mates, then moves itself in the bottom of the nest so that an egg or chick becomes balanced on its back, between the wings, then hoists the egg and others out of the nest. In my lifetime I have only seen one Cuckoo laying an egg, that was in a Reed Warblers nest, about 50 years ago in Belton. Cuckoos were much more numerous then.

After 3 weeks the young Cuckoo leaves the nest, which it has outgrown, although the foster parents keep feeding it, often having to perch on its back to drop insects into the gaping beak. The adult Cuckoos have no family to raise, and are one of our earliest migrants to leave, often in July, each bird flying on its own bound for tropical Africa. Young birds however can often still be seen in September. Over 50 species of Cuckoo lay their eggs in other birds nests. These include the Shining Cuckoo of Australia, which lays its eggs in Fantails, Wrens, and Grey Warblers nests. The beautiful Emerald Cuckoo of Africa lays its egg in Bulbils, and Weaver Finches nests. While the Red - Winged Indian Cuckoo favours Laughing Thrushes nests. The Black - Billed Cuckoo of the U.S.A. builds its own flimsy shallow nest of twigs lined with grass, lays 2 - 4 blue- green eggs. The Yellow - Billed Cuckoo, also of the USA, is also named the 'Rain Crow' with its tendency to utter its distinctive call at the approach of a storm, it also builds its own nest, lays 2-4 pale blue- green eggs in a saucer of twigs placed in a bush. Both these Cuckoo's are beneficial to farmers as they consume enormous quantities of destructive tent caterpillars.

While on our walk at Burgh Castle, we also both saw and heard several Skylarks.

Of all my many discoveries in the world of nature over the years I recently observed something for the very first time. While walking beside a small river near Bungay in late May, I noticed hundreds of large Mayflies. Catching one in the glass tube I carry for identification, with my special eye- glass. This Mayfly, (*Ephemera danica*) had 3 long tails (Cerci) a bristle - like antennae and notable large spotted wings. During my inspection of it I noticed a strange phenomenon, it was undergoing a final moult, slowly emerging from its larval skin revealing a beautiful coloured shining yellow. Mayflies are unique in the insect world by moulting a second time after attaining the fully winged state.



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REV ROSIE WRITES

The months of July and August are for many a time of transition; the children at Moorlands Primary Academy will be moving classrooms and they travel up the school; some will be preparing to start in Reception or Year 1, others will be preparing to leave to go to High School in September. A significant part of the transitions at school are the Reception Graduation ceremony and the Leavers Assembly and act of Collective Worship

Some of the young people of our area will be making choices as to subjects to study beginning in September, or awaiting results of exams they have taken recently which may determine which path they take for a future career, or whether they can go to the university of their choice or have to take an alternative offer.

There are many times of transition in life, leaving home, starting a new job, getting married, having children/grandchildren, the loss of a loved one, moving house, retirement from work, making adjustment to cope with poor health (both mental and physical limitations) and growing older, seeing the changes in the seasons of our lives, the seasons of nature and the changes in culture and technology. Our lives are full of change; sometimes we embrace these changes and at other times they are a real struggle, because change can bring with it concern or fear, and lots of questions beginning What? When? How? etc. Even the change and transition which is positive and welcomed can bring questions and challenges.

The welcomed change for Belton and Burgh Castle churches will be the arrival of the Rev Vivienne Ridpath as a curate. Viv will be ordained deacon at Norwich Cathedral on Saturday 29th June and welcomed to the parishes on Sunday 30th June at a special combined service at All Saints, Belton at 10.30am. You are most welcome to join us for that service.

Viv is not a new face to us! For the past three years she has been training for ordination on the Eastern Region Ministry Course and has been undergoing something of a transformation in terms of learning and formation as a minister. Viv has been a member of the church here for nearly 8 years and has been supported by the churches in offering herself to serve God in Belton and Burgh Castle, and she will be working half-time ie two days a week plus Sunday.

What difference will Viv make? Of course Viv will be an extra pair of hands to serve the churches, but as a curate she will still be learning the practical aspects of being a church minister, much like an apprentice does or like we do when we have passed our driving test and then really learn how to drive. Viv will be able to take funerals, in due course, and lead services; she is a wonderful listener and will be good in offering pastoral care. It will be another year, after she is ordained priest, before she will lead communion services and take weddings, but we will be preparing for that.

The Bible teaches that the church is like a body, with many members, but not all members have the same function; that we have different gifts that are given to build up the body. This is an exciting time! It is a very long time since the churches here have had a curate, and we are thanking God for Viv and all the gifts, skills and qualities she has to offer. There is also a challenge that change brings in how we work together and manage our time. I look forward to being able to introduce you to Viv, if you haven't met her already and seeing her flourish in ministry. There will be pictures and more details of her ordination day in Norwich Cathedral in next month's edition of the Village Voice.

YOUNG AT HEART

Have you thought about how nice it would be to have lots of friends to turn over the minutiae of the day with or share advice or maybe just to enjoy a laugh about life in general? Well Young at Heart is quintessentially a friendship group and can provide those friends. We are all over 50, a mixture of men and women. Some of us attend All

Saints Church in Belton where the Tuesday morning meetings are held and some don't. It starts at 10am and ends at 12noon although it's up to you what time you arrive – I'm always late as I walk my spaniels before I roll up. We have drinks and sandwiches and cakes to share. Sometimes there are speakers, sometimes quizzes and sometimes craft activities. We also go out on trips and have meals in restaurants or fish n'chips brought in. Shortly we are going to have a summer lunch at The Pier in Gorleston.

I met my friend, Barbara, in Young at Heart and recently when I went for a meander around the local boot sale, there she was selling her wares. So I stopped to chat and show her the 'bargains' I had bought, it made my early morning visit so much more enjoyable to meet up with such a lovely friend.

So come on, don't just sit there at home, join us in Young at Heart on Tuesday, you won't regret it. Any questions you may have can be answered by Sue on 01493 782443 or Margaret on 01493 780126.

Young at Heart were allocated the raffle at the JGI monthly coffee morning on June 8th and would like to thank everyone for their support, the excellent sum of £121.00 was raised for club funds.

BELTON YOUTH GROUPS



ROCKSOLID

Rocksolid is our weekly children's club on a Thursday for ages 7 to 11. Over the spring/summer it runs at the Rectory Stables starting at 5pm and finishing at 6pm. Each week the children will expand on various themes from their assemblies with craft activities, games and glitter. There is also a well stocked tuck shop for them to enjoy. July

dates are 4, 11 and 18. The 18th will be the combined Rocksolid, Messy Church BBQ and the last of the summer meetings.



YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group is our Thursday Night Youth Bible study group that meets at 7pm and finishes at 8.30pm. For the spring/summer we will be meeting at the Rectory Stables. The group starts by having a catch up of how their week has been. Then we progress onto our Bible study and once that's finished there are some Games and Craft activities to do. July dates are 4, 11, 18. The Youth will

also be invited to the BBQ.

THE HUB

The Hub is our social drop-in at the church building from 6pm to 9pm for years 6 and above. This is a place where our youth can come, relax and chill out safely. Activities include: Pool, Table football, Dvd room, Chillout zone, Craft tables, Table Tennis and badminton. We have just recently got a new XBOX ONE S and some new board games, so do come down to try them out. This takes place fortnightly on a Friday. July dates will be 12 and 26.

MESSY CHURCH

Messy Church is fun for all the family, It starts with a meal, then a talk and then lots of messy activities. This takes place on the first Wednesday of every month at the church. Starting at 6pm and finishing at 7.30pm. July dates are 3 and 18. The BBQ on 18 July is at the Rectory.

If you are interested in any of the above groups or would like to know more please contact me on: 07783573210 or email me on: bruce@allsaintsbelton.org.uk I would love to see more new faces at all our groups. If it is something you have been thinking about then come and join us and see what we get up to

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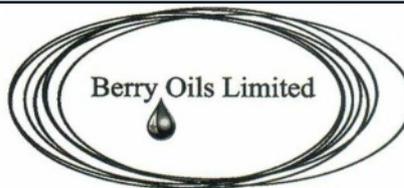
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Three super slimmers from the Belton area have scooped the title of Slimming World's Belton Man of the Year 2019 after losing an incredible 17.5st between them. Since joining, Charles, Tony and Jason have had amazing weight loss results, proving that Slimming World works for men as well as women.

Charles (weight loss 5.5st in 37 weeks) says: "Having COPD and



them sitting up and paying attention though was how well I was losing weight." As the weight came off, Tony found he had more energy and so he was eager to use it: "I always thought that physical activity would be the best way to lose weight, but when I was at my heaviest I just wasn't fit enough to do it. With the encouragement of Slimming World, I've gradually increased my activity levels from being able to go for walks to joining a gym, which I attend regularly.

Jason (4.5st in 20weeks) says: "With support of my group and eating so well, I have so much more energy. I have a young



family and very busy work life, so losing weight has made a huge difference. My confidence going out has grown too, I feel so much better now." All three gentlemen say they feel they have a new lease of life and so glad they made that decision to walk through Slimming Worlds doors. Sue, who runs the Belton Slimming World group says she's incredibly proud of all three gentlemen "Many men assume slimming clubs won't be right for them, but once they come through the doors men do so well. The Belton Slimming World group is held every Wednesday 5.30pm & 7.30pm and Thursdays 10am at The Kings Head. You can pop along or call Sue on 07897532922.



breathing difficulties, it was a frank discussion with a nurse at my surgery that suggested Slimming World. Deep down I'd been unhappy with my weight for some time, but it took me a long time to face up to it. And then when I did admit to myself that I wanted to lose weight I still didn't want to ask for help. "I've realised now though that far from being weak, asking for help takes strength of character and getting support to make changes has given me a sense of confidence that is benefiting every aspect of my life". "It was nerve-wracking walking through those doors for the first time, but I wasn't the only man there and everyone was so supportive. Now I look forward to going to my Slimming World group. There is lots of banter and laughter and I get some really good ideas too, from new recipe suggestions to ideas to boost my activity levels.

Tony (7.5st in 46weeks) says: "I didn't know what my mates would think about me attending Slimming World, but they've been right behind it. Once they realised I could still have a beer they started to take an interest and when they see me eating things like steak and homemade chips, chicken curry or a roast dinner they always ask how it's possible to eat like that and still lose weight. What really had

WORKSHOPS AT HERRINGFLEET STUDIO ST OLAVES 2019

The following workshops will take place at my home studio at Herringfleet Lodge, Herringfleet Road, St. Olaves, Norfolk, NR31 9HJ. We are on the Norfolk/Suffolk border. Booking is essential as numbers are limited. £10 deposit will secure your place (non-refundable). Balance due 1 week prior to workshop. You need your own materials, ask for details 01493 488551 or contact@deniseallen.co.uk If you would like to see my studio to view my paintings or discuss the workshops I will be open on 16th June and 14th July .

- Tuesday 16th July Big brush acrylic landscape. 10am to 4pm. £45 including lunch
- Sunday 28th July Introduction to watercolours. 1pm to 5pm £30.
- Thursday 8th August Seascape in acrylic 10am to 4pm £45 including lunch
- Tuesday 20th August Paint out 10am to 4pm £45 including lunch
- 27th to 30th August 4-day outdoor painting holiday £160 (accommodation not included)
- Friday 20th September Painting light in watercolour. 10am to 4pm. £45 including lunch
- Sunday 6th October Art deco designs using Pebeo mixed media paints. 1pm to 5pm. £35 including some materials.
- Wednesday 23rd October. Hedgerow in acrylics. 10am to 4pm. £45 including lunch.
- Thursday 7th November. Adventurous landscape in acrylic. 10am to 4pm. £45 including lunch.
- Sunday 24th November. Impressionists watercolour. 1pm to 5pm. £30.

Denise

NORFOLK AND SUFFOLK VICTIM CARE SERVICE HAS ITS FIRST ANNIVERSARY

The Norfolk and Suffolk Victim Care Service, run by Victim Support, was launched by PCC Lorne Green and his Suffolk counterpart, Tim



Passmore, in April 2018. In its first 12 months of operation, staff and volunteers have delivered practical advice and emotional support to more than 750 victims of crime. The service provides practical help and emotional support to victims and witnesses of crime. It offers a safe place for people to confidentially talk through their thoughts and feelings, as well as help with practical issues such as putting in place individual safety plans,

providing victims with personal alarms, assisting them with writing a Victim Personal Statement and advocating on their behalf with other agencies. The Victim Care Team is also helping to prevent crime in Norfolk specifically through its scams prevention service. Launched earlier this year, the service supports Norfolk residents who have been targeted by scammers to prevent them being victimised again. **If you've been a victim of crime and would like more information on the help and support available from the Norfolk and Suffolk Victim Care Service, please call 0300 303 3706 or email nsvictimcare@victimsupport.org. You can also find out more on <https://www.nsvictimcare.org/>**

SCOUTS NEWSPAPER COLLECTIONS

Belton Scouts will be collecting old newspapers in Belton on Saturdays July 13 and August 10. Papers should be put outside properties by 8.45am to ensure collection, please do not make bundles too large. Glossy magazines, leaflets, greetings cards & telephone directories can all be included with the papers, please see the whole list of dates for 2019 in the January Village Voice'. For information about the local Scouts or the paper collections please call 01493 780965, papers can also be left outside at 6 Station Road North, Belton, NR31 9NF.

THE VILLAGE VOICE BOOK CLUB

For the next few issues, we will publish the winning entries from the second annual Village Voice writing competition. This month features Football by Joshua King, 10 winner of the under 11 category



FOOTBALL

Day 1

Oh no! It's a game, what a shame.
 I'm always getting kicked around
 I always get the boot!
 They kick me hard into the net and the crowd all shouts hooray!!!
Why can't they see it's not easy being me?
 When the whistle blows and everybody goes,
 I get to rest and have some peace for about 60 minutes at least. **Yes!**
 But...**Oh no! Not again!** I'm in another game!!!
 Why do I have to play this stupid thunderous football?
 I'm a 10 year old ball that has 100 bruises
 and what adult kicks a 10 year old in the face everyday?
 They don't do that to humans, so why a ball?
 Is it because I'm round?
 Is it because I'm bouncy?
 I mean who knows why those pesky people keeping kicking us?
Why can't they see it's not easy being me?

Day Two

Here we go again
 More bruises and a chance that I could die.
 My life is poop!
Why can't they see it's not easy being me?
 The morning game is between 2 big rivals
 I'm so dead, I can see it in my head
Ouch! Ouch!! Ouch!!!
 I was right, it was really bad
 Being a football makes me so sad.
 Thank goodness that's over, it's been a long day
Why can't they see it's not easy being me?
 I'm so tired
 Goodnight.

Day Three

Today hopefully wont be the same because I'm in a kids game.
 I don't think it will be as bad as the adult games as kids are far less grumpy and they have tiny...what do you call those things that hold their bodies in the air?...oh yeah, feet!
 Anyway their kicks will hurt a lot less I guess, so I'm going to be a happy ball today maybe.
 So lets go, I'm ready to play,
 It's going to be a great game today.
 Phew what a game, I actually had fun.
 The red team beat the blue team 3-1.
 A cool kid called Patrick scored a hat-rick and held me in the air and then hugged me tight.
 He kissed me and he took me home, we played his new game Fifa 19
 And I slept in his bed instead of him putting me in the shed.
Look at me, it's great being me!

Day Four

The next day we went to see Patrick's friend Drake,
 his mum said we could have a sleepover and we all tried to stay awake.
 I was with them all the time, we all played football and then they gave me a wash.
 They put me in the bath with a splish and a splosh, I was so sparkly that in the sun I was like a dancing disco ball.
 Wow what a day.
Look at me, it's great being me!

A Few Months Later

Patrick forgot about me and I got put in the garage with lots of old rubbish.
 I was left there for a very long time,
 It was pants to start with but now it's fine.
 There were a lot of old balls in the garage with me,
 They calmed me down a lot and one was a she.
 Patrick's sister had a girl ball called Milly,
 she was pretty and pink and really silly.
 Sometimes Patrick and his sister will get us out when it's sunny
 we bounce around and it's really funny,
 when we play together I get a nice feeling in my tummy.
 But most of the time we live in the garage together,
 We don't care if it's forever.
I love being me.

1ST BELTON SCOUT GROUP



Beavers

The Beaver Scouts have had a very busy May with a visit to Blue Bell Woods in Gorleston and litter picking while they walked. They filled 4



bags of rubbish! They finished the term with a joint meeting with the Cub Scouts with a blind folded trail and an agility course.

The evening finished with JJ, Taylor, Betsy, Layla, William, Nancy and Samuel being presented with their moving on awards after doing their 4 week link to Cubs and all being invested as Cubs.

Cubs

The last 4 weeks have been busy for the Cubs as usual, for 2 weeks they went swimming to complete their stage 1 swimming badge and 6 of the cubs went onto achieve their stage 2 badge which involved swimming 100 metres as well as treading water for 3 minutes and various other things. The cubs also had an opportunity for fun using the slide for 20 minutes each section. We have also had a campfire and toasted marshmallows and shared a meeting with the Beavers in which we invested and moved up 7 Beavers and invested 2 new direct entrants into Cubs. Things to look forward to this term are Cub camp at Gilwell Park the headquarters of UK Scouting and making use of the good weather

Scouts

The main session we had was a Warhammer evening where the Scouts built and painted models from the popular board game, this went down really well with all of them and they were concentrating on painting detail on the soldiers for quite a while, some even took them home to do more. They then had a second evening playing the board game and coming up with ideas for what they would like to do at their Scout meetings.

Group

Wanted Jumble and Bric-a-brac (books) for Jumble sale and Bric-a-brac Sale at John Green Institute Friday 12th July 2019 7pm start entry free. It can either be dropped off at 6 Station Rd North, Belton or if you would like it collected please phone 01493780965

EVENTS AT THE NEW ROAD SPORTS AND LEISURE CENTRE



**CENTRE POST CODE
NR31 9JP**

Bookings
Tel Kate (01493 602960)
or Peter (01493 780703)



MONDAY ACTIVITY MORNINGS

**Belton Activity Morning dates -
July Mondays 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd &
29th . Cost £3.00 per class.**

Seated Exercise 9.30 am. A 45-minute session to improve and maintain your flexibility and mobility. You work at your level and do what you can do. Every day is a different day. We turn up and have a go!! I bet you'll go out feeling

better than when you came in!

Nordic Walking for Everyone, starts Monday 1st July for four weeks of July, at 10.30 am. Beginners welcome. Poles provided. £3.00 for session or £1.00 extra if you have attended the 9.30am class. Nordic walking uses 46% more calories than ordinary walking. It's a low impact exercise that helps support you while you walk, meaning you can walk a little further than normal. It's a social activity fit for all, in the fresh air.

New Payment information for Everyone.

Since we introduced the new payment system in June, it seems to be working well. Below are ways to pay.

- Pay direct to up4fitness for the start of the month. (see Sallyann for details)
- Pay by card payment for the start of the month. (No data is held on the Card Reader). See Sallyann for more information.
- Pay cash for the month's sessions at the start of the month.

If your class must be cancelled your very welcome to join any of the classes, just check with Sallyann and call on 07599044806 or email up4fitness@gmail.com

Please note – we will be closed for the August School holidays on all Mondays in August and reopen at New Road on Monday September 2nd 9.30 am.

Sallyann's update, last month I reported the there was no new growth in the lungs which was great. I also said results from an unplanned scan hadn't been received. We have them now and I have been referred to a Surgeon at N & N to investigate into my spleen. They say it may be a 'fatty tissue' or a 'cyst' but until they take a closer look, they don't know. So, I have scans booked for Thursday 20th June at the JPH. I may have said before the type of cancer (Neuroendocrine Tumour, i.e. NET) I have is rare and it can take time before its diagnosed, which sometimes is too late. However, with new technology and research the possibility of earlier diagnosis gets closer. A member of our group is holding a Fundraising event for this organisation.

Fund Raising Event- Friday June 28th 12 noon to late. To help raise funds for The NET patient foundation. A £3.00 ticket will buy you entry, cake & drink and a raffle ticket. A Bric-a-Brac and cake bake sale is all part of the event too. The event is being held at 63, Beccles Road Bradwell. NR31 8DH. Contact Jules on 07706418529.

I cannot be there myself, so, we as a group have decided to make a donation which will have on Monday 24th June. This Charity works with patients and carers of those with NETs.

If you would like to know more about any of the above, classes or The NET community then please contact Sallyann 07599044806 or email up4fitness@gmail.com

GREAT YARMOUTH STROKE GROUP.

This month we have had a visit from Julie Catmore, helping the group with relaxation therapy and we have also been entertained by Chris and Elvis both wonderful singers. One of our members, Grace has celebrated her 90 birthday thank you Sam for making the cake. Our photo shows Grace and Marilyn. We would like to say a big thank you for donations from Bradwell Parish Council, also to Belton



Yoga group. We have been lucky to have items given to the group for our stall at Somerleyton Fete on July 6th, Thanks to Tracy Darling, Harry and Merl, also all the members who have given. Lisa and Stuart Hannant are holding afternoon tea and cakes on the 12th July to help raise money for the group. We usually meet at the New Road Sports Centre at Belton on Thursdays (2pm) but do not meet in August however Sue can still be contacted on 01493 781846.

PILATES WITH HAYLEY



There are two weekly Pilates classes, beginner and intermediate, suitable for all levels of fitness on Mondays at the Premier Room New Road Sport & Leisure Centre, Belton, 6.00-7.00pm and 7.05-8.05pm with spaces available especially in the 7.05 class. New clients will be welcomed including men. We will be using the Toning Ball and Toning Circles in the next Block of sessions.

Benefits of using the Small Ball: The small ball helps to maintain correct alignment. The unstable nature of the small ball and the reduced base of support it offers, assist in developing muscles involved in deep intrinsic stability by challenging the body's balance and control. The small ball can be used to raise the body from the mat to increase or decrease the range of movement within an exercise.
Benefits for using the Toning Circle: The circle can be used to facilitate many familiar Pilates exercises by helping the individual focus on recruiting key stability muscles more effectively.

There are also spaces in the beginners classes at Lound Village Hall on Wednesday mornings (10am and 11.15am beginners). A new block of classes for six weeks costs £48. Hayley also runs numerous other local classes. To book call her on 07767 864568 or email hayley@hayleyallenpilates.co.uk. (Booking is essential).

JOLLY TOTS & JOLLY BABIES

Jolly Tots and Jolly Babies sessions run every Wednesday (term time only) at New Road Sports and Leisure Centre, Jolly Tots (9.30am-10.45am) is a friendly stay and play group for under 5's and Jolly Babies (11am-12pm) from birth. I aim to provide a fun and stimulating environment for children to interact, learn and play and for parents, grandparents and carers to meet other local families whilst enjoying a cuppa! There is ample free parking available, bus service X11 stops outside every 30 minutes. Sessions include free play, messy/sensory play, craft activity (often based on a theme) snack time and a song time. Jolly Tots is £3 per session, Jolly Babies £2, it is £1 per sibling. Contact Shelley 07767389789. We close for the Summer on July 24th but have not yet confirmed the restart date in September.

BOHEMIANS F. C.



By the time you read this, Bohemians will have held their end of year presentation night which was at Burgh Hall again this year and our teams will have played in a few tournaments, including our own at New Road. Some are

having a break before resuming their training, remaining tournaments and planning their 'friendly' games in preparation for the new season which starts in September.

Bohemians remain an FA Charter Standard club and an active partner with Belton & Browston Parish Council at New Road. There are changes at New Road this summer as we reorganise the pitch layouts to include another adult pitch for our neighbours at Belton FC and look forward to meeting them when we're both at home. For the 2019/20 season we have gained a team at the u13 age group and there is a possibility of us setting up a girls team too. We'd also like to be able to set up teams at u7 & u8 so if there are any players out there looking to join a local club we have places available. Do not hesitate to contact us if you are at all interested in being involved, either as players for our u7, u8 or new u13, or as managers, administrators and coaches. Please contact our secretary Alan on 07787 911403 or visit us at New Road Saturday mornings.

BFC have several new sponsorship opportunities within the club and any company (or individual) who is considering sponsoring a charter standard football club should contact either our Club Treasurer Matthew Simm by email to mattsimm@btinternet.com or by visiting us at our regular Saturday morning training sessions at New Road. We would like to wish all of our players, their parents, sponsors and our volunteers a welcome summer break and a successful start to their season come September. (The photograph shows some of the trophies awarded at our presentations night).

BOHEMIANS LIONS U14s

Bohemians Lions (Year 9 Sept) Football Team are looking for boys and girls to expand and strengthen their well established squad for the new season. We provide a well-run friendly and fun environment with great coaches. Training Tuesdays (6-7pm) at Cliff Park High School and on Saturdays (10-11:30am) at New Road playing field in Belton. Please contact Simon on 07977502707 for more information.



**MUSICAL MOVERS
NEW!! Starting Friday June 7th**

Musical Movers is a new group for youngsters aged from 0 to 5 years at the Belton New Road Sports Centre on Friday mornings in term time (9.30-10.30am). Fun interactive music, singing and development sessions for babies and pre-school children. £5. (£1.50 for additional siblings over 4m)

For more information please call 07974 173216 or see us on Facebook : Musical Movers.

**BEEBOPS SENSORY MUSIC & DANCE SESSIONS
Special offer**

The Beebops groups for families and babies at the New Road Centre are now meeting on Tuesday mornings, Family Time class at 10am and Babies class at 11am, admission £4.00 for either class, trial offer of 3 classes for just £10. Family time is suitable for ages 0-5 and the Babies class from birth to walking. Our last session this term is on July 16 and we recommence on September 10. We are running two Family Time classes at New Road on August 6 & 13, please see our large advert in this magazine for details. Further information from www.beebopsLtd.co.uk or e-mail enquiries@beebops.co.uk

BELTON F.C.



Belton F.C. have had a somewhat quiet month on the field as the season ended back in May, but off the field we are busy putting plans in place for the development of the club. With the relocation to New Road, work has started on re-seeding the goal mouths and general weeding. The club awaits news of their planning application for



permanent dugouts, although ground works have started for the concrete pads. The club have also booked up all their friendlies for the coming pre season starting in early July, with the league season due to start in the middle of August.

Fixtures will be advertised in the village voice once they come through.

The club are always on the look out for sponsorship to help development the ground at New Road, if any local companies want to help and get involved with the Belton F.C. please contact club secretary Nathan Brown on 07771731235.

Nathan Brown, Belton F.C Secretary

BELTON CAMERA CLUB: NEW LOCATION



A big thank you to those attending the first meeting at the new venue of New Road Sports and Leisure Centre. The New Road venue opens up more opportunities for photography, having abundant outdoor space as well as indoors. The first meeting there afforded the opportunity to try 'Panning' to capture a sense of movement in a photograph, as demonstrated in the photo above by Alan Fulford. (During this session all appropriate safety measures were put in place). Members agreed that we would hold future meetings at this new venue. The next meeting will therefore be on Friday 5th July, 2019 at 7pm through to 10pm at the New Road Sports Centre, New Road, Belton, NR31 9JW. £2 on the door, tea & coffee available only 50p. Bring your camera and ideally a laptop with software to process your photo – though that is not essential. The theme for July's photo to bring along is Insects. See our Facebook page for information and announcements – Search for "Belton Camera Club 2.0"



BELTON BOWMEN



The Archery club meets every Monday at New Road Sports Field, Belton. The Junior/ family club starts at 6pm until 7pm cost is £3.50 a person. We currently have spaces for new people (child or family member) to join so come along and give it a try and support a local club. The adult club starts at 7pm and new members are always welcome to our friendly club. Equipment is provided if needed. We do target shooting and clout shooting being one of the only clubs in Norfolk to offer 'clout' as an option. For any more information contact Duncan on 01493

780418 or just turn up on a Monday evening.

BELTON FUN DAY & CLASSIC CAR SHOW Saturday August 3rd

There is less than 2 months to go until the Belton Funday and Classic Car Show! Once again a large amount of entertainment is booked and individuals and clubs are getting ready to bring their cars, bikes and trucks to show. Last year over 150 vehicles were on display and we hope for a similar amount this year.

Some of last year's favourite entertainment is returning and some exciting new ones, like taking alpacas for a walk! The amazing Norwich Star Wars Club and Dragons Shields will be there, as will Squirrel the troublesome dinosaur! Lots of characters will be in attendance and fans of the upcoming new Toy Story movie will find Buzz, Woody and Jessie in attendance.

As always local charities, organisations and small businesses will be in attendance so come and support them and enjoy a great family day out. We are open at the New Road Sports Centre and field 11am to 3pm, for information call 07841 716677.

BELTON JUDO CLUB

Belton Judo Club continue to grow with several new members joining in recent weeks. The under 8s group still has several places available but the over 8s group is now getting quite full but we can still fit a few more in.

Ryan King, England squad member and assistant coach at the Judo club, is presently training in Spain for three months at some of their toughest Judo clubs. He is combining his training with learning about the culture and language. He was recently selected by one of his adopted Judo clubs to represent them at a competition in Barcelona and he did them and himself proud by winning Gold, winning all five of his fights in a total time of 2 minutes 47 seconds which is less than one full contest time of three minutes! (see photo). Ryan has also just had his place confirmed in the England Team for the Commonwealth Judo Championships in September.



We have all standards at our club from British champions and medallists to complete novices and all standards and ages between so there is something for everyone whatever your ambitions may be. Belton Judo Club run two junior sessions every Tuesday and one junior and one two-hour open senior session every Wednesday at the New Road Sports and Leisure Centre in the village under the watchful eye of Dominic King, ex-British Champion and Youth Olympic Silver medallist who trained and competed at National and International level

for many years and 13-year-old Ryan King who is now a member of the England squad and assists Dominic with coaching. Not many villages have a club run by coaches at this level so take the opportunity to try this excellent Olympic sport, the first month is FREE OF CHARGE.

Dominic King Judo & MMA Academy is able to accommodate new members at our Judo clubs in Belton so anyone wishing to join either of the clubs should just turn up any Tuesday (under 8s 4.30, over 8s 5.30) or any Wednesday (all juniors 5.30 to 6.30) and Open mat for all styles/disciplines 6.30 to 8.30 only £6.50 per person for two hours at the New Road Sports Pavilion or contact Dominic on 07977 432756 or email on dominic@fightingfitjudo.co.uk or contact him via Facebook. Other venues/days are available if Tuesday or Wednesday is not convenient, all session times and venues can be found on our website, www.fightingfitjudo.uk

Useful Contacts

Jhoots Pharmacy	Belton	01493 222299
NHS non Emergency	Out of Hours	111
James Paget Hospital	Switchboard	01493 452452
Millwood Surgery (Bradwell)	Appointments	01493 444484
Falklands Surgery (Bradwell)	Appointments	01493 442233
Police	Non Emergency	101
Blocked Road Drain	Anglian water	0845 7919155
Water Supply	Essex & Suffolk	0345 7820999
Power Cut	UK Power Network	105
Gas Leak	National Grid	0800 111999
Telephone Lines	BT Open Reach	0800 0232023
Village Green Children's	Centre	01493 789562
Moorlands Academy	Belton	01493 780007
Ormiston Academy	Gorleston	01493 662966
Rev. Rosie Bunn	Belton & Burgh Castle	01493 780210
Church Wardens Belton	Anne Howell Pete Lamin	01493 780476 01493 780747
Church Wardens B.C.	Maureen Grey Margaret Greenacre	01493 781747 01493 780126
Norfolk County Council	County Hall	0344 8008020
County Councillor Lothingland Breydon	Andy Grant Carl Smith	07833 083903 01493 662176
Great Yarmouth Borough Council	Switchboard Planning Environmental Health	01493 856100 01493 846690 01493 846478
Borough Councillor	Adrian Myers Tracy Cameron	07824 313792 07968882240
Parish Clerk Belton	Kate Palmer	01493 602960
Parish Clerk Burgh Castle	Kate Palmer	07948 705218
Parish Clerk Fritton/St Olaves	Kate Palmer	07827681269
Local MP	Brandon Lewis	01493 854550

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To Book call Kate 01493 602960

Email: beltonparish@yahoo.co.uk

PET / CANINE FIRST AID TRAINING
New Road Sports and Leisure Centre in Belton.

We had a really good Pet/Canine First Aid session on the 19th May. Both pet owners and professionals attended, one of which is local dog walker and pet sitter Alice Aves. The participants learned about the legislation covering Pet First Aid, how to prevent any problems (prevention is still better than cure) and what to do in certain situations (for example, heat stroke, frost bite, bleeding, fractures and many more situations) and of course last but not least they learned how to perform CPR on Casper our resuscitation dog.

The sessions are run by Pet Emergency Training Norfolk and Sophia Guymer in particular. P.E.T. Norfolk is a ProTrainings Approved Centre. After completion of the course the participants receive a ProTrainings endorsed certificate and wallet card in the post. Also included in the cost of the course is access to the material online, downloadable hand book and you can opt in for free weekly update videos.

The next planned session is on the 15th September from 10am till 3pm. We are also available for private hire for 6-12 people, prices on request. Booking is essential. Please ring Sophia on 07766600047 or email sophia@petnorfolk.co.uk



ENTUA (East Norfolk Transport Users Association) is a voluntary independent body which monitors bus and train provision in the East Norfolk Area. To learn more about us please visit our website at www.entua.org.uk

Abellio have been awarded the franchise to operate trains between Norwich and Liverpool Lime Street (currently operated by East Midlands Trains), except that under the new franchise you will not be able to undertake the journey on the one train. Instead you will have to break your journey at Nottingham, changing to a Nottingham – Liverpool Lime Street train. These changes take place with effect from 18th

August, 2019 and the part of the journey between Nottingham and Liverpool Lime Street is likely to be supplied by another train operator (probably TransPennine Express). As with Abellio's Greater Anglia franchise, it includes the introduction of new bi-mode trains as part of its commitments. Abellio is Dutch owned.

Staying on the subject of trains, at a recent meeting with Greater Anglia, ENTUA again raised the issue of why Great Yarmouth will not get any direct trains to stations other than Norwich. As things stand some time in 2020 Lowestoft (our neighbouring town) will have 4 direct trains each way to London Liverpool Street. We cannot understand why Great Yarmouth does not have trains to anywhere else other than Norwich. Both Towns have a comparable population and comparable industry, if anything, Great Yarmouth probably has a more thriving industry than Lowestoft. Most passengers travelling between Great Yarmouth and Norwich choose the bus. The bus (X1,X11) travels on a 15 minute frequency throughout most of the day (Mon-Sat) from Great Yarmouth Town Centre to Norwich City Centre. In the evenings it is an hourly frequency and on Sunday it is a ½ hourly frequency. Therefore most passengers travelling by train from Great Yarmouth are going to destinations beyond Norwich, but every time they have to change at Norwich. ENTUA has long held the view that when the new timetables are up and running, probably some time in 2020, any additional trains from Great Yarmouth should travel onto Cambridge and Peterborough and if possible one or two direct London trains.

So why has Lowestoft got 4 direct trains to London? Apparently this was laid down as part of the terms of the franchise by the Department for Transport along with 1) Norwich to Stansted Airport, 2) Norwich in 90, and 3) an hourly service from Ipswich to Peterborough. Alas nothing was included for poor old Great Yarmouth.

ENTUA also raised the matter of the concourse at Great Yarmouth Station, which in our view needs a total revamp, part of which should include the complete enclosure of the concourse from the platforms.

Before leaving the subject of trains, it is hoped that by the end

of June/beginning of July some of the new Stadler bi-mode trains will be introduced on the Great Yarmouth to Norwich route. One set will definitely be used to replace the `DRS short set` which is due to finish its contract by 24th June, 2019. These new units have been undergoing extensive tests over the past few months ironing out any snags that cropped up.

It is planned that there will be a phased introduction of the new trains across the region so that by the December, 2020 timetable change most, if not all, of the old trains will have gone.

Norfolk County Council are taking on board our comments regarding the siting of the real time information screen situated in front of Boots/Card Factory in Gorleston High Street and they are looking at swapping the screens so that the one with changing bus routes and times is better sited and easier to read. We have also reported that the screen in the bus shelter near the `Feathers` is not working and Norfolk County Council have this in hand.

With regard to buses, not much to report, we continue to press for newer vehicles and hopefully we may see this come to fruition towards the end of the year. The flagship X1/X11 service is doing extremely well, Service 8 is another well used service, but we are concerned about the apparent underuse of Service 4, 5 and evenings 6 and 7. These services need greater patronage to ensure their viability. It is a subject that we will discuss with First Eastern Counties when we next meet. Meanwhile Summer service 1b and Seafront No 3 commenced on 26th May, 2019 and appear to be well used.

ENTUA's AGM and Public Meeting takes place on Wednesday 14th August, 2019 at Christchurch, Deneside, Great Yarmouth. AGM is at 1330 with the Public Meeting at 1415. Representatives from bus and rail operators and Norfolk County Council will give presentations and answer any relevant questions.

ENTUA welcomes new members, all we ask is a minimum £5.00 annual donation which helps us cover the cost of printing and postage of our very informative quarterly newsletter and the cost

of hiring venues for public meetings. To join please write to ENTUA, 18 Wensum Way, Belton, NR31 9NY

Tony Grice

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WEEKLY AT THE JGI

YOGA - On Monday morning at 10.15am £2.50 per session. Please bring a floor mat and towel with you. Contact Julie on 01493 780121.

SHORT MAT BOWLS - Monday Afternoons 2-4pm 01493 444041

BINGO - Sessions are held on Monday evenings at 7.30pm, everyone welcome.

OVER 50/60's - Every Tuesday Afternoon (2 - 4pm) Contact Norma on 01493 780447.

1st BELTON GUIDES - Every Tuesday (In term time) (6.45-8.30pm. 01493 667311

BELTON ART GROUP - Every Wednesday (2 - 4pm) For any forms of art & crafts for information call Jan on 01493 488683.

WEIGHT WATCHERS - Meet Wednesdays from 6.15pm.

CRAFT GROUP - Every Thursday (7-9pm) No matter what crafts you do why not come along £3 per session Tel. Linda 07721 599559

LINE DANCING FOR IMPROVERS - Every Friday (10.30am-Noon) No partners needed, beginners welcome Call 07788 408801.

BELTON COMMUNITY CHOIR - Every Friday (7.15-8.45pm) New members welcome Call 01493 780060.

SCOUTS JUMBLE SALE

The 1st. Belton Scout Group are holding a Jumble Sale at the JGI on Friday July 12th (7pm), admission free. If you have

anything to donate please call Jane on 01493 780965 or deliver to 6, Station Road North, Belton.

THE BELTON LADIES GROUP (BLG)

Unfortunately due to the abysmal weather we experienced on the 11th June the outing to Fritton Plant Centre had to be cancelled. (so much for the warm summer's evening.) However, we may try again later in the year depending on the members' wishes.

The next meeting 9th July at the J.G.I. will be a follow on Craft Session of Sketching, Crochet or Basket Weaving. Ken Cole will again be helping us with the basket weaving this time we will hope to make trays. The boards for the base of the tray cost £5.00. However, it was agreed at the last committee meeting to charge members £2.50. (the rest to come from B.L.G. Funds.) If you wish to make a tray then please let Liz know as soon as possible. Tel. 01493 780494.

Please note The Summer Competition July 9th will be deferred to later in the year.

Liz Myhill. (Chair)

JGI QUIZ NIGHT

The next village quiz night at the JGI is on Friday July 19th at, 7.30pm. Teams of 4 - £5 per team - why not put a team of family, friends or neighbours together and join in the very friendly evening. No prior entry booking needed, just turn up with your team on the evening. Future dates are August 23rd and September 20th.

EXHIBITION BY LOCAL GROUPS

As there will be no Village Show this year due to the fall in attendance over the past few years and volunteers to run it, four local groups are going to hold an exhibition in late September. These are The Digital Camera Club, the Belton Art Group, The Needlecraft Group together with a display by the Belton History Society. It will be on two afternoons, 28th & 29th September between 1pm and 5pm. Please note these dates and come along and see some great work by local people. For more information contact Bill on 780822 (see advertisement on page 23).

CITIZENS OF THE YEAR AWARD TEA PARTY

Following the announcement in June's Village Voice regarding the Citizens of the year presentation, Belton Events Committee are hosting an afternoon tea party at the Institute on Saturday 27th of July from 2.30pm to 5pm, and we would love you to join us. Mr Peter Nicholls Chair of Belton with Browston Parish Council is to present the award to Barbara and Nora. We have also asked the Historical Society if they could display some items at the Institute that reflect life in Belton in an earlier era. There will be a charge of £5 per person for the tea. If you would like to reserve a place please telephone 01493 782224.

Terri L, Jean C, Liana and Lin
Belton Events Committee 2019



BELTON COMMUNITY CHOIR

Our very newly formed Community Choir is looking for new members. Meeting weekly on a Friday evening at the JGI at 7.15pm - 8.45pm. Love to sing but cannot read music? Always wanted to join a choir but not thought you

would be good enough. No problem, come and give us a try. Whether you have sung in choirs or not sung except in the bath since school, if you enjoy music, having fun in a social atmosphere you will be made welcome. We are a choir made up from members of our community and once we are ready, for the community. All ages from Teens to Nanas and Grandads. Open to anyone living or working in Belton or just over the borders. Also if you live in a neighbouring village but are regularly part of our community activities. All we ask is for a small donation at sessions to cover our overheads. We are at the beginning of what could become an exciting journey.

BELTON OVER 50/60's

The club normally meets at the JGI every Tuesday afternoon (2-4pm) and has recently welcomed several new members, it costs just £1 per session, In June members went to Dunwich and Southwold for their annual Fish and Chip meal and during July are booked to go to Cromer to see the famous End of the Pier show. For details about the club contact Norma Hadden on 01493 780447.

JGI TRUSTEES

The June Coffee Morning was well attended with the Young at Heart raising £120 on the raffle. Thanks go to the tea and coffee ladies and Jane with the Scouts table. The next Saturday Coffee Morning will be on July 13th from 10 to 11.30am. There will be a local group raffle as well as a free jigsaw swap table. Please contact Bill on 780822 or any of the Trustees for more information.

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SPEEDING AT FRITTON

Local residents gathered at an accident site in Fritton on June 8th to highlight the amount of damage caused by speeding drivers who lose control of their vehicles. The latest incident which comes after many others, has resulted in a reported



Speeding campaigners
Fritton

£60-80,000 worth of damage to the property. In the past, fences have been demolished, brick walls taken out and shrubbery ruined. It has now become such a frequent occurrence that home owners

do not bother to put fences back up, rebuild walls or plant their gardens. Some are even stating that they are looking to move. I was asked by the speed watch team, to attend a meeting in which I was presented with evidence from the team showing recordings of 50 to 70 speeding drivers through this particular area on a daily basis, some reaching speeds of 45 to 50 miles per hour in what is a 30 mph area. As a result, Norfolk Highways are putting in measures to address speeding that takes place approaching the Decoy Pub from the St Olaves end, however nothing as yet, has been proposed to address the issue of crashes because of speeding at the top of Church Lane approaching Fritton. I will be contacting Norfolk highways and the chief constable as a matter of urgency to discuss what measures can be taken to alleviate the blight that speeding drivers are having on the residents of Fritton. If any of the home owners had been in their front gardens at the time, they would have either suffered serious injury or been killed.

Cllr. Adrian Myers

WEDNESDAY DROP IN AT JGI

Every Wednesday we meet between 10.30am and noon. We are a very friendly bunch who love to chat and exchange information. Find out what is happening in your community and get informed about the latest scams etc to beware off. For more details contact Sue on 01493 780822.

SVAG (SOUTHERN VILLAGES ACTION GROUP)

There was a very minimal turn out for the last SVAG meeting at the John Green Institute (JGI). Surely, it cannot be because no one has any concerns about crime or anti-social behaviour in our community (see latest available crime report figures on page 4). The next SVAG meeting will be around the end of August. Watch for the date.



History Society visit to
Caister Lifeboat Station
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HISTORY SOCIETY VISITS CAISTER LIFEBOAT

Just over 20 members of the Belton and District Historical Society had an enjoyable outing to Caister on June 9 when they visited the Caister

Volunteer Lifeboat and the Caister branch of Coastwatch and watched an excellent slide presentation on the history of the lifeboat service by Derek George. The afternoon finished off with a meal of Fish and Chips which was served in the building that normally houses in high speed inshore lifeboat.

EXHIBITION BY LOCAL GROUPS

PHOTOGRAPHY – ART – NEEDLECRAFT PLUS A DISPLAY BY HISTORY SOCIETY

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MOORLANDS SCHOOL REPORT



Fantastic Author Visit

Moorlands was lucky enough to host a visit by Children's Author Francesca Armour-Chelu on Wednesday 13th June. The visit, supported by Waterstones Norwich and Walker Books, was attended by Years 5 and 6 children from Moorlands, as well as children from other local schools.



As part of the visit, Francesca spoke about the inspiration behind her writing, answered questions about her stories and, with the children's help, created new characters to fit the storyline of her latest book *'The Butterfly Circus.'* Francesca said: "I had such a lovely morning...so many children, so many great ideas... thank you for having me." Deputy Head John Siddles said "It was a great visit and it

was lovely to host other schools at Moorlands. The children really enjoyed it and asked some excellent questions."

Raising Money for Oakley

Pupils at Moorlands were stirred into action when they heard about the plight of young Oakley Cutajar, a local child who has been struck down by a rare form of cancer and who needs expensive treatment in Holland. Two pupils at the school are cousins of young Oakley and they, along with their friends and supported by staff, organised 'Oakley's Obstacle Course Challenge.' Children paid to enter and family and friends provided refreshments. The children raised a massive £541 over two days for Oakley



and the winners each received a small trophy. The fundraising target is £50000 and the fund currently stands at £42203.

Anybody who would like to donate can do so at www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/treatment-for-oakley.

National Empathy Day



Pupils at Moorlands celebrated National Empathy Day on 11th June with storytelling, poetry and by contributing to the National project through book recommendations. Senior Teacher Jon Biddle said "The children at Moorlands have a very clear handle

on Empathy and why it is so important to our society. This is illustrated every day by their actions. A good example is how they responded so positively and sensitively to Oakley's fundraiser."



DUKE OF EDINBURGH SCHEME: EAST NORFOLK SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

East Norfolk Sixth Form College is always looking for new avenues to expand the student experience, and this spring there will be even more ways for young people to explore wider horizons. As part of its strategic review of personal development the College is delighted to announce a significant expansion and enhancement of the Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) scheme. Students have always been able to sign up to the Award programme, but much of the provision had previously been offered by external providers. With new staffing in place, curriculum time assigned to the Award and a greater focus on the expedition and outward-bound elements there is much for students to get excited about.

The DofE is a nationally recognised Award where participants develop key employability skills and attributes valued not only in the workplace but also in our wider communities. These skills include communication, teamwork, problem solving, self-management and a positive approach to work. Students complete activities in four sections, volunteering, physical, skills development and expeditions,



with an additional residential element for the Gold Award.

To help more students achieve the Award the College has invested in a more focused team supporting students in completing their activities. The intention is not only that this will be good for the students but will filter out into the wider community too, impacting as many stakeholders as possible.

EN Principal Dr Catherine Richards (photo) said, "Achieving a DofE Award requires resilience and commitment and enables young people to see how

their efforts add value and impact, both to themselves and others. We know that by enhancing our offer in this excellent scheme students will not only develop a range of key skills supporting their future employability, but they will also be contributing more to the local community, helping to make Gorleston an even better place to live and work."

With new activities planned across all the sections, links into community groups being developed, and the first expeditions heading out this June there is much to look forward to. Further complimented by the launch of a brand new Combined Cadet Force in the College, East Norfolk Sixth Form is once again demonstrating why it is in a class of its own.

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A SPRINGER'S TAIL

Village Voice readers may remember the short stories that were published in the magazine a few years ago under this name. Author Lesley Chalmers returns to the Village Voice with a regular column, this time featuring comic strips that follow the same line. They feature her two dogs, Lennie and Harley.



Summer Holiday Sessions

Tuesday 6th August

Tuesday 13th August

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GUIDE TO EVENTS

EVERY MONDAY

AMENDED Exercise

Sessions (9.30am) - New Road Sport Centre -- Seated exercise sessions (See New Rd page) (Mondays in July Nordic walking @ 10.30am) **Yoga** (10.15 - 11.15am) JGI - bring your own mat or towel 01493 780121

Play & Weigh Baby Group & Baby Cafe - Breastfeeding support (1 - 2.30pm) Village Green Children's Centre. Refreshments (Health Visitor 3rd Monday of month) 01493 789562

Short Mat Bowls (2-4pm) JGI 01493 444041

Bingo Night (7.30pm) JGI All welcome

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

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

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

EVERY TUESDAY

Beebops Pre School New Road Centre -Family Time (10am) Babies (11am) - 07934 276167

Baby Massage OR Baby Bloom (10-11.30am) Village Green Children's Centre 4 week parenting course for parents/referrals, must be booked/paid in advance £8 01493 789562 (*these two groups alternate the same time slot*)

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

Childminder Drop in & Play (10 -11.30am) Village Green Children's Centre - Childminders drop in & play & meet other childminders. Refreshments available 01493 789562 (1st Tues of month at Gorl. Lib (10.30-11.30am))

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

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

1st Belton Guides (6.45 - 8.30pm) JGI- 01493 667311

St Olaves Art Group (7.30 pm) St Olaves Village Hall Tel: 01493 488276

EVERY WEDNESDAY

Jolly Tots (9.30-10.45am) Under 5's (11am-Noon) Birth to Walking - New Road Sport Centre 07767 389789

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

Lunch & Social Club (Age Concern) (12-3pm) Kings Head, Belton 01493 262052

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

Pooch Paws Dog Training (5-8pm) 1 hour sessions St. Olaves Village Hall 07841 040171

Judo group for Juniors (5.30-6.30pm) New Road Sport Centre 07977 432756

Slimming World (5.30 & 7.30pm) Kings Head Sue Tel 07897 532922

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

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

Open Mat for Martial Art (6.30-8.30pm) New Road Sport Centre 07977 432756

Team Quiz (8pm) Kingfisher Bar B/Castle (6 per team max £1 ea. 023143)

EVERY THURSDAY

Chatterboxes (9.30-11am) Village Green Children's Centre 0-5 years. Fun activities, communication, language & literacy £1 Only during term time 01493 789562

YOGA (9.30-10.30am) New Road Sport Centre 07841 985767

Slimming World (10am) Kings Head Sue Tel 07897 532922

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

Rock Solid (5-6pm) Belton Rectory Stables - Childrens Club (July 4,11 &18) Free 07783573210

New Road Crafting Group (6-9pm) New Road Centre, Belton

Crafters Group (7-8.30pm) JGI Informal needlecraft group 07721 599559

Youth Group (7-8.30pm) Belton Rectory Stables (July 4, 11 & 18) Exploring Christian Youth & Fun. Free 07783573210

EVERY FRIDAY

Musical Movers (9.30-10.30am) New Road Sport Centre Music for under 5's 07974 173216

Line Dancing for Improvers (10.30am-Noon) JGI, 07788 408801.

The Hub (Open youth group) (6-9pm) (July 12 & 26) Belton Church - years 6 & above - 07783573210

NEW Belton Community Choir (7.15-8.45pm) JGI - New members welcome 01493 780060

EVERY SATURDAY

Pooch Paws Dog Training (9am -1pm) 1 hour sessions St. Olaves V/ Hall 07841 040171

EVERY SUNDAY

Julies Car Boot - (6am) Market Road, Burgh Castle.

Burgh Castle Roman Fort - (2.30pm) Free guided tours, meet interpretation shelter (main car park)

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

EVENTS THIS MONTH

Every Wed to Fri (10am - 4pm) Burgh Castle Village Hall open - Bargain stall & Teas/coffees

Sat Jun 29 (11am-3pm) Moorlands Primary Academy Summer Fair (School Field)

Sun Jun 30 Burgh Castle Church NO Service

Sun Jun 30 (10.30am) Belton Church - Joint Service with Burgh Castle to celebrate ordination of Rev. Viv Ridpath

Tue Jul 2 (11am) Belton Church -Traditional Service of Holy Communion Coffee from 10am

Wed Jul 3 Mobile Library in Belton (Times in article)

Wed Jul 3 (10.30am) Burgh House -Traditional Holy Communion

Wed Jul 3 (6-7.30pm) Belton Church - Belton Messy Church - Free Family Fun

Fri Jul 5 (7pm) New Road Sports Centre. Belton - Digital Camera Club

Fri Jul 5 (8pm) Burgh Castle Queens Head -Team Quiz max 6 per team

Sat Jul 6 (11am-3pm) Somerleyton Village Hall - Annual Art Exhib.

Sat Jul 6 (Noon-5pm) Somerleyton Green - Somerleyton School Fete

Sun Jul 7 (9.30am) Burgh Castle Church - Holy Communion

Sun Jul 7 (10.30am) Belton Church - Morning Celebration

Mon Jul 8 (7.30pm) Burgh Castle V/Hall - Parish Council Monthly Meeting

Tue Jul 9 (7.30pm) JGI - Belton Ladies Group 780494

Wed Jul 10 (1-2pm) New Road Sport Centre Belton/Browston Parish Clerks surgery

Wed Jul 10 (7.30pm) Belton Church - Prayer Together

Fri Jul 12 (7pm) JGI - Belton Scouts Jumble Sale, Free Entry, Donation of items 780965

Sat Jul 13 (From 8.45am) Belton Scouts Collecting Newspapers - Belton only

Sat Jul 13 (10am-11.30am) JGI Monthly Coffee Morning

Sun Jul 14 (9.30am) Burgh Castle Ch.- Morning Prayer

Sun Jul 14 (10.30am) Belton Church - Holy Communion

Sun Jul 14 (6.30pm) Belton Church - Evening Celebration

Tue Jul 16 (7.30pm) New Road Sport Centre. Belton & Browston Parish Council

Wed Jul 17 Mobile Library. New Rd. Playing Field Fritton (15.15-15.35), Priory Cl., St Olaves (15.40-16.00),

Thu Jul 18 (5-7pm) Belton Rectory - Messy Church / Rock Solid Barbecue

Fri Jul 19 (7.30pm) JGI Team Quiz Night (teams Max 4, £5 per team)

Fri Jul 19 (7.30pm) Fritton Village Hall - Monthly Bingo

Sun Jul 21 (9.30am) Burgh Castle Church - Holy Communion

Sun Jul 21 (10.30am) Belton Church - Cafe Church

Sun Jul 21 (2.30pm) JGI - Belton History Soc. 'Wings in the Garden' Illus. Talk with Tony Brown £3 (Members £2)

Thu Jul 25 (1-3pm) Village Green, Children's Centre. Money/Debt Advice

Thu Jul 25 (7.30pm) St Olaves V/Hall - Fritton & St Olaves Parish Council.

Sat/Sun Jul 27/28 (10am-5pm) Fritton Church - Flower Festival

Sat Jul 27 (2.30-5pm) JGI Citizens of the Year Tea Party £5. Call 782224

Sun Jul 28 (9.30am) Burgh Castle Ch. - Holy Communion

Sun Jul 28 (10.30am) Belton Church - Holy Communion

Sun Jul 28 (6.30pm) Fritton Church - Songs of Praise.

Wed Jul 31 Mobile Library in Belton (Times in article)

Sat Aug 3 (11-5) New Road Sports Centre. Belton Fun Day / Classic Cars

VILLAGE SMALLS

It is free to advertise jobs, events, property or items for sale. Send details to Village Voice Small's, 'Skelmorlie', Butt Lane, Burgh castle, NR31 9PU Tel 01493 780776 or email beltonvvadds@gmail.com by noon on July 14 to appear in the August 2019 issue. We will run your advert for 3 months but please let us know if you sold it so we can remove the advert. (Commercial entries charged at 25p per word)

WANTED

Soft Toys to raise money for local charities, deliver to 34 Orwell Crescent. Belton, or Tel 01493 782043

Any Saleable items, Bric-a-Brac, Books, Games, Jigsaws unwanted gifts etc. needed for Burgh Castle Village Hall sales stall. Tel. 01493 780126 (local collection possible)

Any odd quantities of gravel/stone suitable for paths etc. by Belton Scouts Tel. 01493 780965

Old Mantle Clocks & Wall Clocks Tel. 07835 740671

Jumble/ Bric-a-Brac & Books needed for sale at JGI 12th July (7pm) & Clifftop Book Sale. Tel 01493 780965 (Belton Scouts)

2/3 Person tent for Belton Scouts Tel 01493 780965

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First of all, a very big "thank you" to all of you who supported our Coffee & Craft Morning on Saturday 1st June, helping us to make just under £300.00 towards the ongoing refurbishment of the Village Hall.

Our next Village Hall event is our QUIZ & CHILLI EVENING scheduled for Friday 23rd August 2019. As usual tickets will be £5.00 for Quiz & Chilli (vegetarian option available) and £3.00 for Quiz only. There will be a licensed bar, raffle and coffee/tea and cakes at the interval.

The evening starts at 7 p.m. if you are having Chilli and 7.30 p.m. for Quiz only. Maximum of six people per team. If you would like to reserve a table, please ring: 01493-488268, 01493-488178 or 01493-488506. Do hope you will be able to join us for a light-hearted evening.

PROPOSAL FOR 600 NEW HOMES

Just as 'Village Voice' was going to press we became aware of this new planning application on the Great Yarmouth Borough Council web site, it is for 600 new properties on Church Farm land by the roundabout that leads on to Belton New Road from the A143, it is the application that was flagged up a few months ago when the developers, Badger Building, held presentations at both Bradwell and the New Road Centre in Belton. The initial application is for full permission for 150 properties and outline for a further 450 with a new access off Belton New Road and Beccles Road.

Although the land is in Bradwell this will have an effect on all our local parishes so hopefully other local parish councils will be consulted by the Borough Council. At the time of writing there is no closure date for responses to the application although it is stated that a decision should be made by October 11th, 2019.

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