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PETER NICHOLS

Just as Village Voice was going to press on November 28th we were advised of the sudden death of Peter Nichols who lived in Berry Close, Belton.

Peter, a retired glazier, had been a member of Belton with Browston Parish Council since November 2000 and its chairman since May 2017, he also chaired the councils New Road Sports Centre Management Committee.

As well as serving on the Belton Council Peter had been a member of Burgh Castle Parish Council since May 2015 and he also served on the Lothingland Community Land Trust (CLT) committee.

Our thought go out to Peters family at this difficult time.



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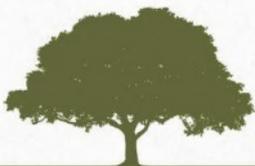
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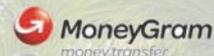
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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Thanks to the second lock-down, the December issue of the Village Voice reaches you a bit later than usual. Owing to the Christmas break and the slight uncertainty about how COVID restrictions will pan out, there will be a similar delay to the January 2021 issue too. The deadline for submission of articles for that issue will be on December 20 and do remember to put in any annual reports of your clubs and organisations so that they can be published in the new year.

2020 has been a year with more setbacks than one normally expects. Along with the rest of the country, our local economy too is going through trying times. All of us can do our bit to contribute to alleviating this slowdown. Please do continue to support local small businesses- from cafes like Binky's to the many enterprising tradesmen who, even in the face of adversity, persevere doggedly.

As the year draws to an end, have a thought too for the committed men and women working in the NHS, bracing for a punishing winter when COVID will meet the flu and everything it brings. Have a thought for all those who have found a vocation in the public services- the teachers and policemen, soldiers and council workers, care workers and support staff, people who work not merely for their salaries, but for a cause that is akin to loving your neighbour as yourself and not walking by on the other side.

There is for many of us a sense of foreboding about what lies ahead and yet, in the midst of all that, there is hope and optimism too. Hope, that the more severe the adversity caused by a virus, greater the scientific endeavour to combat it and optimism that our resolve will not wane and that we will come through this too.

As we prepare for a Christmas that will be different from any we have had in the last few decades, some will draw this hope and optimism from their faith in a son of God who promised to be a fellow traveller with the forsaken and the dispossessed. Many more will draw their succour from sources that are arguably less divine and yet enduring - a commitment to duty, a rigorous discipline of the mind, an instinct to be generous and a desire to help the other. In an enduring story of the survival of the human spirit against the odds of trial and adversity, these are not necessarily opposing positions.

I wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and let us hope and pray for a happier 2021 too.

Professor Regi Tharian Alexander
Editor

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor
 Thank you for the Village Voice. My husband and I have been in lock-down since 5th March 2020 and the magazine is a breath of fresh air and enjoyment. I read every month our representatives of borough, county and MP who state please contact me and I will help. As a member of the public and Chairman of East Coast Hospice I have lost count how many times I have written to these people with NO suc-

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cess. I wonder how many of your readers are in the same position? Please keep up your good work. A merry Christmas and stay safe.

Best wishes
J Beesley, St Olaves

Dear Editor
 Once again the Belton food bank is receiving my £100 winter fuel payment. Who will match me? I didn't ask for it, it wasn't my money. What you've not had you won't miss, but there are people who really need all our help even more this year than ever.

Best wishes
Name withheld

Dear Editor
 I am writing to you to respectfully request that you publish my letter in the next edition of Village Voice magazine. My wife and I have been renting a semi-detached cottage on Station Road North for approximately ten years and our three children attend local schools, also my wife is employed in a local care home. Unfortunately only days ago, I received a visit from a representative of the owner of the property advising me that we must vacate within six months or, alternatively. Agree to an increase in the rent of £200 which would bring the monthly rental up to £800 for the month.

We, as a family, have been happy living in the village and would dearly like to remain here. Therefore, I am appealing through your magazine, to any local resident who owns a similar three bed-roomed property and is available for us to rent, to please get in touch with the writer.

Thank you so much.
 Yours sincerely
David Smith
 Tel: 01493 789044



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NOVEMBER COUNCIL MEETING

Nine Parish Councillors, County Councillor Andy Grant and the Parish Clerk were present for the November 3rd meeting of Belton with Browston Parish Council, held using the Zoom remote system, Peter Nichols was in the chair. County Councillor Grant reported that having been in talks with the County Council during the previous week County Highways had advised that there was no way the upgrade to the New Road cycle path could take place without the road being closed if access for cyclists and pedestrians was to be maintained, this due to Covid 19 regulations however there will now be two gangs rather than one working on the site to get work completed quicker. Councillor Grant did confirm that the upgrade and resurfacing to Stepshort would not take place until the New Road works are completed. He also reported that hedges on Bell Lane and St Johns Road would be manually cut in the next two weeks whilst other hedges needing attention would be flailed.

Members are still attempting to get a second quotation to clear the dykes at Bland Corner (by the Mini Roundabout) and are also seeking a further quotation for works to replace damaged fencing at the New Road Sports Field and to install two more gates to facilitate access near the football pitched for ball retrievals.

A date was set for the finance committee to meet to discuss and recommend the precept to cover finances to the financial year 2021/22 however there will not be a meeting of allotment holders at present, their committee has met and agreed to keep rentals the same as for the current year, £25 for a full plot and £15 for a half plot, rents can be paid to the Parish clerk, Councillor Greystone, or electronically direct to the councils bank account.

The Council is in the process of setting up a management scheme for the Belton Pit Surveyors Allotment as the council has just taken ownership of a piece of land under its control which is on the Fritton/Belton border on the A143, this is currently with the charity Commission. Members agreed to a metal detectorist being able to use the site subject to a written agreement that the value of any 'finds' is shared with the Parish Council.

After consultation with residents about the use of the 'blue' play equipment on Bell Lane it was agreed by a majority vote to keep the item but to cut back some of the bushes to improve visibility to the area where it is sited. Councillor Light suggested a meeting of maintenance portfolio holders to consider taking on some maintenance work currently undertaken by GYB Services however County Councillor Grant stated that he had a similar proposal from Hopton but had been unable to obtain a breakdown of costings for individual parishes.

In planning there were no objections to a 2 mtr. High fence at 7 Amhurst Gardens, or for an agricultural building on land off New Road however a condition was requested that it always remain in agricultural use. Plans for a new bungalow at 'Farewell Hales' on Stepshort, Belton were objected to as over development of the site whilst change of use sui generis of land to garden curtilage at 15 Amhurst Gardens was objected to as loss of green public space in the village. Approved by the Borough Council were single story extension at 11 Rosedale Gardens and a two story extension, swimming pool and garden room at Woodland Lodge, The Loke, off station Road North.

The next meeting of the Council will take place on Tuesday December 1st again remotely using Zoom.

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Belton with Browston Parish Council are inviting nominations for the Citizen of the Year 2020 award which will be presented in the Spring of next year.

To make a nomination send the persons name and address together with the specific details of your nomination which can be for help and assistance to an individual or with a group or organisation based in the Parish to Kate Rudock, Parish Clerk, Belton with Browston Parish Council, 56 Victoria Road, Gorleston, Gt. Yarmouth, NR31 6EF by **Monday January 18th 2021**

As previously there will be one award and as well as being open to residents of Belton with Browston it will available to non residents of the parish provided the work for which that person is nominated is within the parish, anybody who has received an award covering the previous two years will not be eligible this time round. Nominations can be for more than one person for the same service/good deed. (Parish Councillors cannot be nominated for the award).

COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME



We have been happy to offer support to those in need during this strange time. Obviously demand has dropped of greatly as most of our regulars will be shielding or self isolating for health reasons.

Unfortunately, as most of our drivers are either vulnerable themselves or caring for someone who is, we have taken the decision to suspend the service until the new year.

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CRIME FIGURES - NOVEMBER 2020

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- 1 x Burglary residential, 4 x Criminal damage.
- 9 x Domestic, 1 x Race or religious aggravated public fear.
- 1 x Possession of controlled substance
- 5 x Public fear, alarm or distress caused.
- 1 x Theft or unauthorised taking of a motor vehicle.
- 2 x Theft from a motor vehicle

Total 24 (14 last month)

For a comparison with other local areas their totals for the last two months are as follows.

- 41 (45 last month) - Cobholm and Southtown.
- 9 (11) - Bradwell North.
- 47 (98) - Magdalen and Claydon
- 44 (25) - Gorleston and St Andrews wards.

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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 791 9155
Water Supply	Essex & Suffolk	0345 7820999
Power Cut	UK Power Network	105
Gas Leak	National Grid	0800 111999
Telephone Lines	BT Open Reach	0800 023 2023
Seagulls ECFS, Magdalen Way	Gorleston	07866 215857
Moorlands Academy	Belton	01493 780007
Ormiston Academy	Gorleston	01493 662966
Rev Rosie Bunn	Belton & Burgh Castle	01493 780210
Church Wardens Belton	Anne Howell	01493 780476
	Pete Lamin	01493 780747
Church Wardens B.C.	Maureen Grey	01493 781747
	Margaret Greenacre	01493 780126
Norfolk County Council	County Hall	0344 8008020
County Councillors		
Lothingland	Andy Grant	07833 083903
Breydon	Carl Smith	01493 662176
Great Yarmouth Borough Council	Switchboard	01493 856100
	Planning	01493 846690
	Environmental Health	01493 846478
Borough Councillors		
	Adrian Myers	07824 313792
	Tracy Cameron	07968 882240
Parish Clerk Belton	Kate Palmer	01493 602960
Parish Clerk Burgh Castle	Kate Palmer	07948 705218
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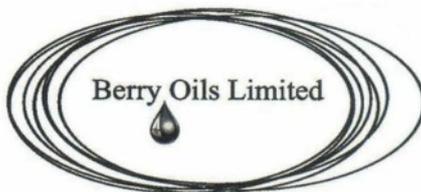
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BURGH CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL

Five Parish Councillors, Kate Ruddock the Parish Clerk, County Councillor Carl Smith and Borough Councillor Adrian Myers were present for the November 9th meeting of Burgh Castle Parish Council, Brian Swan was in the chair.

Members were informed of the closure of Burgh Castle Post Office from November 26th and everyone present hoped that a service could be retained in the village (see separate article).

The only planning matter was that the Borough Councils Development Control Committee had unanimously given outline consent for seven new properties behind Dovedale on Butt Lane, both the chairman and County Councillor Smith had represented the Parish and spoken against the plans but the development was unanimously approved by the committee totally against the wishes of the Parish Council.

Members discussed their finances and agreed to set a precept for the budget for funding for 2021/22 at exactly the same sum as in the current year, meaning no increase for village residents on the Parish contribution of the Council tax although increases can be expected for both the Borough Council and County Councils portions.

It was agreed to take part in the County Councils Parish Partnership Scheme whereby the costs for specific highway works are shared evenly between the Parish and County Councils and agreed to request three new village name boards at the entrances to the parish at a total cost of £675 for each authority, the existing signs are over 25 years old however County Councillor Smith will see if he can pay part of the Burgh Castle costs from what is left in his personal ward budget.

The very large spoil heap has been removed from the Parish Burial Ground, the contractor has done an excellent job, this had accumulated over some 30 years and it was agreed that removal must take place far more often in future. Members agreed that the next meeting will be on Monday December 14th, again using the remote, Zoom system, anybody interested in listing or joining in can get details from the Parish Clerk.



BURGH CASTLE POST OFFICE CLOSURE

After many years' service to the local community Burgh Castle Post Office was scheduled to close its doors for the final time on Thursday November 26th due to the retirement of postmistress Josie Thomas. Sadly this

has been brought about by a variety of events, probably the final nail in the coffin was the loss of trade this summer due to Covid-19 restrictions and their effect on the community and especially the holiday trade.

The notification was only received in the village on November 9th and when Burgh Castle Parish Council was informed of the closure at its monthly meeting that evening members all agreed that the Post Office, who say that looking at alternatives is 'ongoing', should make every attempt to get a service back to the village as soon as possible. The nearest alternatives are Belton or Bradwell however there is no bus service to either and both involve busy roads which for the main part have non-existent or totally inadequate footpaths to get there. County Councillor Carl Smith and Borough Councillor Adrian Myers have offered their assistance in any way to help get a Post Office restored to the village. A consultation about the future by the Post Office was running on line but scheduled to close on December 5th however if anyone would like to see if it is still available and make their supporting comments known please go to the link which is [Consultation Hub - Burgh Castle NR31 9AJ](#). The Parish Council is also keen to hear of suggestions for any alternative service, please contact the Parish Clerk at burghcastleclerk@gmail.com as soon as possible.

BURGH CASTLE VILLAGE HALL: TEA ROOM & BARGAIN STALL

After a successful 3 months, we were very disappointed to be in a National Lockdown during November and therefore not able to have our Friday opening day on the 20th. However, depending on what tier of restriction we emerge from lockdown into we will be open at The Village Hall on Friday 11th December., when we hope to see our 'regulars' for coffee & mince pies and of course Jan's bacon rolls. We would ask you to wear a face covering inside the building, use the QR code or complete a Track & Trace form. Tables are available in the small hall for refreshments and we have some new items for you to browse.

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NORFOLK CHURCHES SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE

Paul Nicholls yet again rode on behalf of Burgh Castle Church in this annual September event, he visited many churches on his trusty cycle and called on many homes in the village for sponsorship absolutely smashing the record of £1882.00 that he collected last year with the magnificent sum of £2495.00, there is still the Gift Aid figure to be added to this total and the final sum will be split evenly between Burgh Castle Parish Church and the Norfolk Churches Trust. Another fantastic achievement! A very big thank you to Paul and all the wonderful people who supported him so generously.

BELTON NEW ROAD UPDATE

(Below is the latest information regarding New Road closures as at 26th November received directly from Norfolk County Council Highways team to 'Village Voice').

Phase 1 Closure (A143 to Stepshort) – The current works programme indicates New Road will remain closed between the A143 and Stepshort Road until the 5th February 2021. For information, there will be a two-week break from work over the Christmas period, from 5pm Fri 18th December to 7am Mon 4th January, during which time the road will be open as usual.

Phase 2 Closure (west of Deben Drive to Waveney Drive) - The current proposal is to close the section of New Road between Waveney Drive and west of Deben Drive from the 8th February and all being well should reopen on the 19th February 2021.

Please note, the above dates may change if we encounter unforeseen site issues and/or there are delays due to weather. I can confirm, following concerns received from members of the public, the temporary traffic management on the A143 has been enhanced by the introduction of temporary warning signs and an advisory 40mph speed limit in the vicinity of the Beccles Road and Lound Road junctions. I hope this information is of use and if you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

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REV ROSIE WRITES

Christmas is definitely NOT cancelled!

I have been reading in the media in various places that Christmas is cancelled, but of course it isn't. From what we are hearing now of the government's intentions, it looks highly likely that the current lockdown will be lifted for a few days over the festive period to enable families to celebrate together. Christmas decorations are up and lit in Belton in November; many of us starting our celebrations earlier than usual.

What is Christmas for you?

An opportunity to meet up with friends and family? Time to deepen the relationship you have making precious memories? A chance of being together with space to enjoy recreation activities? Time to "get away"? Concerns over food and drink – too much or too little? Presents? Decorations? A time of increased expectations, or worries, or isolation/loneliness?

And this year.....What is going to be possible? There are many questions of how are we going to celebrate Christmas?

Let me take you back to that first Christmas

Mary, a young girl, heavily pregnant, having to travel to the home town of her husband, and away from all that was familiar, because the government of the day said they had to. No choice! Any plans they had, had to be shelved, and the journey embarked upon. For Mary, friends, family and familiar surroundings left behind. Four or five days journey – an extremely difficult trek for Mary to face and to complete close to the baby's due date. For them, it was time to get away. I wonder whether they had concerns over food and drink – well not the kind of concerns we might have; but they would have had to plan for their trek. I wonder if they took any gifts for Joseph's family?

We are told (in the Bible) that there was no room for the family when they arrived in Bethlehem and that they stayed in the place where the animals were kept. When Mary's baby was on the way, there would have been the usual concerns over a safe birth; in unusual circumstances and in an unfamiliar environment. Even so, the announcement of Jesus' birth comes with a bright display in the sky (much more impressive than fireworks that we often enjoy) of Angels singing and a message delivered to terrified shepherds who do as they are told and go to find out for themselves about the baby in a manger. So Mary and Joseph have unexpected visitors. They must have been extremely unsure about them and what they might bring with them..... grubby shepherds and a new born baby? until they heard what the angel had said.

When you think about the strange circumstances Mary and Joseph found themselves in, they could be described as unprecedented times. Neither of them would have experienced anything like it before. There must have been times when concern and anxiety rose to the surface and into their strange situation, the joy of Jesus' birth.

So, Christmas 2020 will be different. How we celebrate. Where we celebrate. And with whom we celebrate. Maybe in connecting with the characters of the first Christmas we can find joy in the simplicity of Jesus' birth. Jesus as the son of God also known as Emmanuel (God with us), shares in the fragility and vulnerability of human life. The gift of Jesus as saviour of the world is a gift that we can still receive today. The angels brought messages of peace to the earth and its people. Jesus, as prince of peace brings the gift of peace, even now. So my prayer for each one of us this Christmas is that we would know the peace of Jesus Christ in our hearts and minds as we come to celebrate the birthday of Jesus.

ROCK SOLID

It has been a funny year and the Rock Solid team have missed seeing all of you and having fun. Hopefully we can all meet up in the new year and start back all together again safely. Wishing you a very happy and safe Christmas. Love from the Rock Solid team. For more information speak to Colin on 781474 or speak to Paula

CHRISTMAS PRAYER TREE

This Christmas we can't always see the people we want to see, or go to the places we want to go, so the churches are providing a place where we can remember loved ones. It may be someone we can't see anymore, or someone we can't get to see. How are you doing this you might ask?



There will be a Christmas tree planted in the churchyard of both Belton and Burgh Castle. At Belton it will be near the church tower beside the path, and at Burgh Castle, it will be beside the path near the east end of the church. The trees will be a place

where you can go and hang a bauble or decoration or tie a ribbon on the tree and take a moment to remember or pray. I hope that this will be a focus for many people and a help to you all.

We can't have the church open for carol services and services at Christmas where we would normally give opportunity for people to say a prayer, write the name of a person on a star, or on a paper chain, so this seem to be the next best thing. I do hope it helps at least some of you.

Usually we would provide ribbons or decorations but, in the circumstances, we feel that it's not the right and safe thing to do, so we are asking you to bring your own ribbon or decoration. For safety purposes may I suggest that we don't hang any glass baubles, so animals and children don't come to harm.

Rosie Bunn

HELP OFFERED AT CHRISTMAS

The Pantry, the foodbank for Belton, Burgh Castle and Browston, has been providing support for families and individuals in need during the pandemic, usually referred to us by statutory bodies. Any offers of support through donations is always appreciated and requests for help are treated confidentially and compassionately. Contact Marion or Colin 07514458186

CHRISTMAS DAY

In normal times there are places to go for those who are on their own; this year there are few opportunities available. Rosie & Tim can't invite you to eat with them but would like to share their Christmas meal with you. If you are going to be on your own this Christmas and would like a Christmas lunch brought to you, please get in touch with Rev Rosie Bunn on 01493 780210.

YOUNG AT HEART.

The team at Young at Heart send all our members our wishes for an enjoyable Christmas. We hope and pray for a less restrictive New Year. God bless all of you. Any questions concerning the group please contact Sue Angell, 01493-782443. or Margaret Greenacre, 01493-780126.

FRITTON SPEEDWATCH

Fritton Community Speedwatch was recently held during the morning rush hour on Beccles Road (A143), and over a period of one hour a staggering 90 motorists were recorded at speeds in excess of 30mph. Of those 90 speeding motorists:- 57 vehicles were driven at speeds of 40 plus mph, 13 vehicles were driven at speeds of 50 plus mph, 1 vehicle was driven at 61 mph. Just a reminder that all those who drove over 50mph will be getting a visit from the Police. The rest will be getting a letter from the Police. There are several houses with drives exiting onto Beccles Road, especially immediately beyond the double bend, and all these insanely high speeds were recorded when people were leaving for work; sooner or later there may well be a multiple 'pile-up' right in the middle of Fritton!

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1ST BELTON SCOUT GROUP

Beavers

In our last face to face meeting before the second lock down, the Beavers did wood collecting and had a successful go at lighting a fire. Everyone then toasted marshmallows. We also looked the different types of toadstools we could find and discussed the dangers. After half term holidays, we met on zoom. The first week was spent making dough, putting animal footprints in the dough and making bones. Last week we made mug cakes, looked at kitchen safety to finish off part of our cook's badge. While eating our mug cakes, the beavers had a log chew to swap ideas for zoom meetings to come.



Cubs

The Cubs have continued to Zoom meet via the zoom app. This month we have played games to test their knowledge and games where they had to race around their house collecting items and games which have been hilariously funny- drawing people whilst not looking at what we have previously drawn. We have made indoor fireworks together (yes via zoom) with food colouring, oil and water in a jar. All the Cubs have really enjoyed the new concept but obviously there is nothing like being able to meet face to face. We hope to do that as soon as it safe to do so.



Scouts

Would you be interested in helping to support the Scout section, you don't need to help every week just when every you are able to help. For more information please contact John (Gov) Group Scout Leader 07443 567326



Group

Paper Collection next on Saturday 5th December 2020 please have your paper outside property by 8.45am ready for collection. January's collection Saturday 9th January 2021. If you have any books that can be donated for a sale, we would be grateful if they can either be dropped at 6 Station Rd North Belton or phone 01493 780965.

Wanted petrol mower: please phone the above phone number if you can help. We would like to thank the person or persons who broke in and took our gardening tools along with our petrol strimmer, damaged our mower and caused other damage. We hope your need was greater than ours. At the time writing we are still waiting for feedback from the Police.

GRANTS AVAILABLE FROM THE WRVS BENEVOLENT TRUST

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- Complete an application form (or get someone to do it for you)
- Application forms are available on our website www.wrvsbt.org.uk
- Submit it to the Trust either by email or post (the address is on the form)
- The Trustees meet three times a year, but applications are considered in between meetings so there is no delay in responding to applicants

Tens of thousands of people have volunteered or worked for us over the years, maybe you, maybe your grandparent, parent, aunt, uncle, friend or neighbour. The Trust is here to help eligible applicants. Please help us to spread the word about our grants.

NEW ONE-STOP CLINIC FOR PATIENTS WITH NECK LUMPS

A new one-stop clinic for patients with neck lumps has been set up at the James Paget to provide a faster route to diagnosis and treatment. The aim is to get answers for patients as quickly as possible as, in some cases, neck lumps can be an early warning for thyroid, mouth or throat cancer.

Nikki Szomjas, James Paget Head & Neck Clinical Nurse Specialist - who has been instrumental in establishing the clinic along with Katrina Strak, STP Cancer Transformation Project Manager for the Cancer Services team at the James Paget, and Sheneen Meghji, ENT (Ear, Nose and Throat) Registrar - said; "This has been something we have wanted to do for some time and is key to ensure patients are diagnosed and told what their neck lump is within 28 days. Referrals are triaged to make sure patients can be brought in to the next available clinic. At the moment we can see four new patients and two follow up patients at each clinic and this allows us to fast track those who need further tests."

Lynne Kyle, one of the patients treated at the clinic said, "I've met the most amazing, wonderful and kind people and they have been so supportive. The nurses have been brilliant and have said I can phone them at any time. Just knowing they are there is wonderful."

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HOLLY AND MISTLETOE

Holly (*Ilex aquifolium*) Holly is perhaps the most attractive of all our Christmas symbols. The custom of decorating churches & houses is a habit probably adopted by the early Christians in Rome where



the Romans sent Holly boughs to friends.

I well remember during the war years our only decorations at Christmas were sprigs of Holly and coloured paper chains glued with flour paste and hung across the ceiling.

It is impossible to confuse Holly leaves with those of any other tree. They are rich dark green above and pale green underneath, oval in outline with wavy margins extending at intervals into long sharp spines. The

leaves have a leathery feel and their upper surface has a shiny varnished appearance due to the presence of a waxy waterproof coating called a cuticle, because the cuticle is waterproof it reduces greatly the amount of water lost through the leaves by evaporation. This helps the tree retain its foliage through the winter, however in exceptionally cold winters as in 1963 Holly trees were seen shedding their leaves. The curious thing about Holly is that when it reaches a height of about 3 m (10 ft.) the upper branches - well out of the reaches of browsing animals produce leaves that are not spiny, except at the leaf tip. Holly timber is almost white, fine grained and very hard. In the past it was dyed black and used as a substitute for Ebony Chess sets and Dice.

There is an old superstition concerning Holly at Christmas, that was commonly held to be true in many parts of the country, the belief was that if you wrapped nine Holly leaves in a handkerchief, tied with nine knots and placed under your pillow on Christmas night, then you would dream of the person you were destined to marry.

Holly has a long flowering season ,about three months starting in May. Male and female flowers are on separate bushes, so a female bush without a male nearby will not produce any fruit. After fertilisation the female flower develops into small green fruit which later ripen into the familiar bright red berries. Each berry contains four seeds embedded in its pulpy flesh, these are dispersed in the droppings of birds, especially Thrushes, Fieldfares, Redwings, and Collared Doves, its berries are poisonous, but not to birds.

Holly takes a long time to grow, although not generally known native Holly trees with bright yellow berries occur very occasionally. The tallest Holly tree on record in this country is one of 71 ft. growing in Essex.

Mistletoe (*Viscum album*) Has perhaps more fanciful attributes than any other plant, from its association with druid rituals to its use as decorations at Christmas. It has such a peculiar lifestyle, never growing on the ground, it is a semi - parasitic plant, living partly off its host tree and partly off food obtained by its own chlorophyll. Each



of its stems ends in a flower head with two side buds which then repeatedly fork into two.

As a young plant it is extremely inconspicuous, especially since it is usually found high up among the branches of its host. It has been recorded on several host trees including Ash, Maple and Lime, but its most common host by far is Apple, with Poplar in second place.

In April - May extremely small green flowers

appear, they are followed by pearly - white berries in November - February, each enclosing one or two small seeds. The berries survive on the plant throughout the winter if they are allowed to but are more likely to be eaten by birds such as the aptly named Mistle Thrush, but they don't like the sticky seeds and wipe their beaks on a branch to remove them. The seeds stay on the bark, dry and harden and become glued to it, where they are able to germinate and form another parasitic clump. Mistletoe is dioecious having separate male and female plants, male plants never have berries.

Mistletoe is mostly found in the south of England and grows in profusion in and around Cheltenham. There are only a few places where it is found in Norfolk, although a good example is to be seen in Hingham, where I discovered in early November growing in the churchyard and a nearby garden. It doesn't grow in Ireland.

For hundreds of years magical properties have been attributed to the plant. When I was young it was the custom of kissing under the Mistletoe with this verse.

*Pick a berry off the Mistletoe,
For every kiss that's given,
When the berries have all gone,
That's an end to kissing.*

I doubt if this tradition takes place nowadays. Although Mistletoe is found in the U.S.A. from New Jersey to Florida and west to the Pacific, it is however a different species from the European variety.

My photos this month are by Allan Collier. Finally I would like to send my best wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all my readers and thank them for all their observations sent to me during the past year.



DOWN THE GARDEN PATH

Elizabeth Myhill

It is difficult to find colourful shrubs that flower during the winter months especially those with fragrance!

However the **Species Sasanqua** fulfils much of these requirements. The **Genus** is **Camellia**, and the species **Sasanquas**. The flowers are much smaller than those of the **Camellia**. The leaves are oval, pointed, dark green and glossy. **Camellia japonica** (the ones that bloom in the spring) have bigger blooms but **Sasanquas** are more floriferous. **Camellias** leaves are distinctively larger than **Sasanqua** leaves.

The growth habit of **Sasanqua** is generally bushy when they are young, but, as they age, they will eventually grow into lovely small trees 10 to 15 feet tall. One other difference in the two is sun/shade requirements. **Camellias** grow best in shade to part sun, **Sasanquas** will thrive in full sun once the roots have established and like **Camellia** they will not tolerate wet feet. It is essential that they are sited in an area with well drained acidic soil (our sandy soil is ideal provided it has not had any lime spread on it.)

well away from cold winds and definitely not facing east. (They enjoy a nice leaf mulch being a woodland plant.) **Sasanquas** will also grow well in pots. Use ericaceous compost.



Varieties: "Hugh Evans" a vigorous evergreen shrub with arching branches bearing neat, dark green leaves, and fragrant, single rose-pink flowers from late autumn to late winter (photo 1).



"Bonanza" is an upright to spreading, dense, evergreen shrub up to 2.4m tall with small, glossy, dark green, lance-shaped leaves. Semi-double, deep rose-pink flowers up to 7cm in diameter are borne in late autumn and early winter.(Photo 2).



"Plantation Pink" is a vigorous, upright evergreen shrub with glossy dark-green leaves and large, scented single to semi-double pink flowers in late autumn to early winter (photo 3).



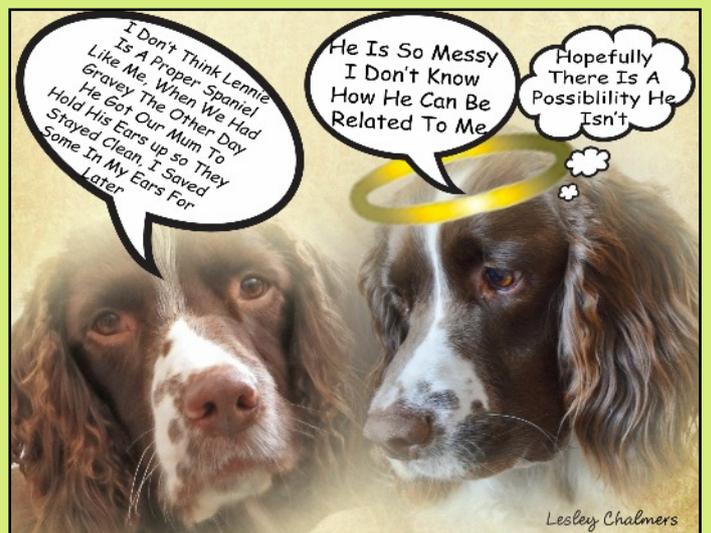
"Rainbow" is a vigorous, upright large shrub or small tree, up to 6m high, with leaves, up to 8cm long, that are purple when young, then glossy bright green above and paler beneath. From autumn to early winter it produces fragrant single flowers, up to 7cm across, which have white petals edged with pink, and conspicuous golden yellow stamens

"Versicolor" is a vigorous, upright, open, evergreen shrub or small tree with elliptic, glossy, dark-green leaves and, from mid-autumn into winter, fragrant, single, pale pink flowers with white centres and prominent yellow stamens. (Photo 4).



A SPRINGER'S TAIL

Lesley Chalmers





MOORLANDS PRIMARY ACADEMY REMEMBRANCE DAY AT MOORLANDS... WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

Written by Badgers Class, Year 3-4,
Moorlands Primary Academy

Remembrance Day has always been important to the staff and children at Moorlands Primary Academy



and this year (even though things had to be done a little differently) we were determined to remember.

We started off the day sharing the poem "In Flanders Fields," by John McCrae. We talked about the significance of the poppy and why it is the symbol of Remembrance. We then took part in a special assembly led by Reverend Rosie Bunn. Rosie read out the names of all of the soldiers who lost their lives in the First and Second World War and Mr Mill played "The Last Post," on his trumpet. We sat very still and thought about all of the people who have been hurt or killed during conflict.

At 11am we all stood outside in our playground and listened to Mr Mill play "The Last Post," again on his trumpet. We then stood in silence for two minutes to show our respect. It made some of us feel quite emotional as we listened to the trumpet and then the silence. Later in the day, we watched a video sent to us by the Time and Tide Museum. The video showed us the stories of Jack, a soldier during World War One, Hilda, a nurse during World War One and Egbert Cadbury, a World War One pilot. The characters were based on real individuals with strong local links. We found the video really interesting and it helped us to understand what life during World War One would have been like.

We then made our own split pin poppies and we coloured pictures of poppies too. We learned that some people wear purple poppies to remember the animals that have been killed in conflict and that some people wear black poppies to remember the contribution of black, African and Caribbean communities to the war effort. We gave some of our poppies to Mrs Murison to use in her Remembrance Day display in the corridor.

Mr Lee also spoke to us via zoom. He read us the story "Where the Poppies Now Grow," by Hilary Robinson and Martin Impey. It made some of us feel really sad to think about what the soldiers during World War One went through and sacrificed for us. We learned a lot

about why we have Remembrance each year and why there is always two minutes silence as an Act of Remembrance at the eleventh hour, on the eleventh day of the eleventh month. We will certainly always remember the people that gave their lives so that we could be free.

EAST NORFOLK SIXTH FORM COLLEGE AND BLACK HISTORY MONTH



As part of East Norfolk Sixth Form College's support for Black History Month throughout October, students and staff at the College were given the opportunity to hear from Dr Robert Power. Dr Power provided an informative talk 'Black History

is British History' which was then followed up a week later with an interactive teaching session. East Norfolk's Student Association and Student Action Group have made the topic of promoting Equality and Diversity across the College as one of their key priorities for this academic year. They have worked closely with teachers and the colleges Senior Management Team to arrange guest lectures, workshops, art displays and inspirational messages to promote the importance and relevance of Black History Month.

Rob Power who led both sessions said: 'I'm a strong advocate of social justice movements and with an expertise in black history. I have been extremely keen to involve myself in as many aspects of the debate concerning BLM and racial equality as possible. My work predominantly involves engaging schools and businesses in the form of workshops, seminars and talks to promote an awareness of the history of racism in Britain. Sadly, this is something that hasn't been adequately addressed in current discussions surrounding race and identity.' The Student Association have also taken this opportunity to promote these events by creating displays around the campus to spread the word and inform other students. They will also be celebrating other key events and themes throughout the year.

ORMISTON AND NEW TEACHER TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Ormiston Venture Academy, in partnership with seven Secondary schools across Norfolk and Suffolk have teamed up with The OAKS Partnership to launch a new teacher training programme. The OAKS Norfolk School Centred Initial Teacher Training (SCITT) programme aims to ensure schools across East Anglia are able to recruit excellent staff.

The programme offers an Ofsted rated 'Outstanding' training year for those looking to enter the teaching profession. The highly personalised and supportive programme emphasises the importance of trainee teachers' ability to promote outstanding progress of the pupils they teach. The new programme builds on similar successful partnerships between The OAKS and Ormiston Academies Trust, which has five hubs additional hubs set up in different parts of the country, serving over 40 schools.

All trainee teachers follow a programme to gain Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) and to be accredited with an academic PGCE award. Trainee teachers will be placed in two secondary schools throughout the academic year, teaching classes ranging in KS3 and KS4, with a variety of enrichment experiences provided, including KS5, primary, special schools and alternative provision. Trainees will also have a residential (or out of school activity*) and visits to other professional agencies in order to build up their professional CV. Training focuses on the secondary phase. Subjects include Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, English, Geography, History, Mathematics, Modern Languages, and phys-



ics. The OAKS also offer the Assessment Only Route into teaching, which is a 12-week accreditation for QTS. More information is available on request. Applications for those interested in training during the 2021/2022 academic year open on Tuesday 13th October. Those who have questions, or would like further

**ROWAN BENNINGTON
CARP4KIDS AMBASSADOR**



In September we reported on 9 year old Rowan Bennington from Belton who, mad about fishing, had been asked to be an ambassador for a carp4kids academy. An event for 9-14 year olds and a collaboration between Bay Tree Fisheries & Continental Carpin with a star studded line-up of supporting award winning pro anglers with the aim to take 15 kids with parents to Bay Tree Fisheries in France for a week. There they will spend time under the stars and get the guidance of some outstanding anglers to learn all about fishing. In support of this Rowan has cast his fishing rod a total of 740 times, with a total distance of 31 miles covering the width of the English Channel. To Rowan's knowledge this has never been completed by a child before. Rowan's last casting session was held at Gorleston beach (see photos), this consisted of the final 90 casts, the most he had ever done in one session. To date Rowan has raised a staggering £1652.00 for next year's event in France.

CHRISTMAS READING GIFT IDEAS

We all enjoy receiving gifts at Christmas, but many of us would probably agree that watching our loved ones opening their gifts is even more enjoyable. What isn't so enjoyable for many of us is the Christmas shopping, especially for those relatives who are particularly difficult to buy for each year. Here are three books by writers with local connections. Dominic who runs Belton Judo Club, Malcolm our nature writer and Ken a member of Belton and Browston Parish Council.

WORLD CLASS HAPPINESS - Dominic King's new book, 'World Class Happiness', may be one answer to your problems – not just your own Christmas shopping problems, but you could also do your family members a favour by adding it to your own list. 2020 has been a tough year for many of us and statistics show that anxiety and depression are definitely on the rise. Dominic's book is a must read for everyone, as he explains why he is so happy and how it's simple for everyone to feel the same, no matter what's happening in the world. It has received excellent feedback so far and has nothing but 5-star reviews on Amazon.

Not only is it likely to improve your Christmas, but this book could make an impact on your 2021 and beyond. Dominic grew up in Belton and now lives in Bradwell with his wife and children. You can purchase the book on Amazon.

MY ADVENTUROUS LIFE - by Malcolm Metcalf is the story of Malcolm's travels taking him to many countries including Australia, New Zealand, America (Many times) and finishing his trips with an epic month's travel round England using his bus pass to raise funds for the East Coast Hospice, a very interesting and varied read.

The book has been very popular and Malcolm is now selling the last few copies from his original 500 at half price (just £5), he can be contacted on 01493 661138 or by e-mail Malcolm 43ironhorse@gmail.com

BELTON SUFFOLK – A once rural 'Market Gardening Village' - by Ken Botwright. This book, written by Ken is based on the diaries of his grandfather mainly about his daily tasks on the market garden in Belton with many of the facts obtained from the meticulous diaries that he kept for some 40 years although it covers his life from 1891 to 1972, written earlier this year it costs £9.99 and gives and insight into local life a generation or two back. Self-published by Ken for £9.99 contact him on 01493 789978 or email kenbotwrightken08@outlook.com to obtain copies.

NHS **EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT EXPANSION**
James Paget University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust A major project to expand the Emergency Department at the James Paget University Hospital (JPUH) is



underway. The development will see part of the hospital's front façade extended towards the main car park and re-built, providing more space to assess patients and for those waiting to be seen. The new building includes an expansion in the number of cubicles - from 11-14 – for the assessment and treatment of patients attending with more serious conditions, a larger waiting room, giving patients a more comfortable environment with space for social distancing, more space for patient 'triage', a separate children's waiting room and an ambulance 'cohort' area to support ambulance turnarounds. It will be completed by 31 December, providing additional space and capacity for the winter. JPUH Chief Operating Officer Joanne Segasby said: "This is just the first phase of our Emergency Department expansion plans, with more work scheduled in 2021/22, which will include enhancing areas where children are assessed and treated."

BRANDON LEWIS MP writes



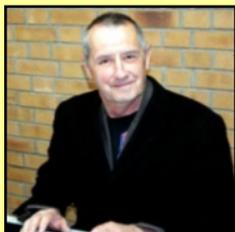
Ahead of the festive season, may I wish you and your family a happy and safe Christmas and New Year. As I write these words, we are still a fortnight away from the end of the nation-wide restrictions, which is the Government's latest response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Many will remain frustrated by restrictions and continued uncertainty ahead of the holiday period. I share those frustrations. We all want to spend time with our friends and family in the weeks ahead. But until we have a widespread vaccination programme in place uncertainties will continue.

The scientific analysis of the various vaccine trials is positive, and it looks likely that we can start vaccination of the most vulnerable very soon. Of course, it will take time before most of the population is vaccinated. A little more patience before we can move back towards reality is needed.

What isn't uncertain for Belton residents is the disruption that the closure of New Road for roadworks, over a three-month period, will cause. I share the concerns expressed by the Parish Council, and residents, about the traffic impact it will have at the crossroads in the village. Following my approach, Norfolk County Council has confirmed that for safety reasons, and to ensure a footway remains open, a full closure is required. They have given an assurance that controlled access is available for those visiting the sports centre and local residents. Whilst the county council is unprepared to retain one-way traffic along New Road, they are aware of local concerns. We've all experienced enough disruption over the last year, in one-way or another. I hope that the county council will minimise this particular disruption in Belton and ensure that the works are completed speedily and on-time.

Remember that if you have an issue you wish to raise with me or require advice please contact my office – office@brandonlewis.co or 01493 854550.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR ADRIAN MYERS



With the news that David Milliband is being paid about £800,000 a year to be a figurehead of the anti poverty (sic) charity, International Rescue committee, (he also apparently charges £76,000 for a dinner speech) and that the charity received £50 million pounds of taxpayers money last year,

it reminded me of some research I did a few years ago in to charity directors remunerations. The CEO's of the following charities were paid the following amounts.

Age UK £190,000 (2015), Anchor Trust £420,000 (2015) Cancer Research UK £240,000 (2015), MacMillan £170,000 (2013), St Andrews Healthcare £433,000 (2017). In the case of St Andrews, (2016) over 95% of its revenue, and patients came from the National Health Service through referrals from NHS commissioners. It has the capacity to cater for around 900 patients across its various sites, having grown rapidly since 2000. Its accounts show turnover of £183 million in 2016/17. The charity's surpluses are reinvested in patient care. I think it might surprise some people that NHS mental health provision in some parts of the country, is provided by an NHS funded charity, I know I was.

Across 19 of the biggest charities in this country, the CEO's were paid between them in one year £3,865,000. In the UK, CEOs of charities are compensated for their time, I have not as yet been able to ascertain just how much of their time is being compensated for.

"What a sick society we live in, with a few who are paid enormous amounts of money and the many who exist on poverty pay. There is

no justification whatsoever for such pay disparity" Rebecca Long-Bailey.

I wonder how she feels about her former compadre David Now.

By the way Rebecca regularly writes articles for the Guardian newspaper, that stalwart socialist anti Brexit publication, which it was reported in 2009 that: *The Guardian Media Group is one of the shrewdest corporate avoiders of tax in Britain, in 2008 it made a £300 million profit and yet managed to pay no corporation tax, the following year in 2009 it still paid no corporation tax, it uses the offshore Caymans tax haven to own assets, it uses tax efficient trusts and deploys all manner of perfectly legal tax shelter strategies to avoid paying tax. (Acknowledgement to Guido Fawkes).*

I have included these pieces this month, because during this pandemic, many people have lost their jobs, many others are struggling and I fear that the up coming youth of this country are the ones who are going to have to foot the bill for this in years to come, and I cannot abide hypocrisy. And in the private sector, and this is just one example Steve Robertson of the privatised Thames Water, which serves water to 10,000,000 people, received a fixed salary of £745,000 in 2018, with a potential bonus of £3,750,000 in 2020. So if you are looking for a career path young people, strive to become a CEO or perhaps a rejected Labour Party leader.

On the Covid front, I wrote some months back, that national policies should be delivered at a local level by local authorities. I said this because central government hasn't a clue as to what is happening on a local level in places like Norfolk and Great Yarmouth. The delivery of track and trace, test and trace has seen its most success when delivered by local authorities. This is because those authorities have considerably more data on its citizens through council tax, housing benefits etc than central government. This council throughout the pandemic has been exemplary in its deliverance of central government monies to businesses and supporting local people via food banks and more.

I hope it is not long before the government realises and accepts this premise and instead of paying the private sector huge salaries amounting in some cases to individual payments of £7,000 a day, instead, give that money to local councils who will give a considerably better service, a greater return on investment and contribute to a greater impact on the virus than the failed system we have in place now.

Although another lockdown has been announced, I will continue to work in my wards via email and letter writing, advising and supporting the residents of those wards.

I usually write these articles about three weeks before publication (I write this on 2/11/2020) due to printing deadlines so things might have moved on since writing this.

Adrian Myers Independent Borough Councillor
Lothingland Ward.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR ANDY GRANT

Dear Residents ,

I hope you are all well during these very different times. Covid has effected everybody and has taken over all aspects of our lives, it will continue to do so but as I write this Article there is hopefully a huge breakthrough with a vaccination and like all of us I hope this goes some way in all of us getting our lives back to normal.

Despite Covid NCC's work has continued, we have worked hard in getting our frontline services opened and operating in the new normal of Covid restrictions, our children's and adult social care have continued with the work where possible in ensuring the vulnerable are cared for and looked after. Covid has changed a lot in how they work and the lockdown has had a hidden toll on family breakdowns and mental health and the long term implications of this might not be known for some time.

The recycling centres have continued to run and will continue to unless they are specifically ordered to close by the government. There have been some delays due to Covid restrictions but the service has remained very popular with residents. The chemical waste amnesty was a success and well used with some 50 tonnes of waste from 1600 people at the Caister HMRC alone over 3 days. We hope to improve on this year and continue this popular service next year.

Financial pressures unfortunately remain and like a broken record I will say we still eagerly await a long term solution to local government funding. The council tax is a broken system that is grossly unfair and I've always said and campaigned for major reform, hopefully after Covid someone somewhere will look into this seriously. Our budget proposals will be published shortly and I would all residents to have a read and take part in the consultation.

Locally we are finally seeing some good highway improvements the traffic and closure of New Road is an inconvenience but once reopened the cycle and pedestrian improvements will ensure and much better journey and hopefully encourage more people to walk and cycle. The Stepshort improvements are programmed in for January and February will finally end the patchwork quilt and poor quality surfacing along it. I look forward to seeing these improvements in the new year and will then begin to try and get further improvements where possible, a better maintenance regime and if possible try and get a footpath linking Fritton to St. Olaves.

I wish all residents and merry Christmas and happy new year, stay safe and hopefully all our lives will return to normal in a not so distant future.

Andy Grant, County Councillor for Lothingland ward
Tel.07833083903

SOMERLEYTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Somerleyton Community Association (SCA) is extremely pleased to report that the programme of improvements to village facilities has continued throughout the last few months.

On the playing field:

The installation of the new Forest Stack at the children's play area is now complete and has proved extremely popular with local children. The project, which was begun in January, was sadly delayed by the pandemic and unable to open until July when



government restrictions were eased. However, it would not have been possible without external funding and SCA trustees would like to thank the many contributors. Firstly, and most importantly the impetus which came from Mollie Taylor's family who made a very generous donation as a bequest from her estate. And, in alphabetical order only, may we thank the following organisations: Ashby Herringfleet & Somerleyton Parish Council, Councillors Keith Robinson & James Reeder (grant from Suffolk County Council's Locality

Budget), Councillor Paul Ashdown's (grant from East Suffolk Council's Enabling Communities Fund) and Somerleyton Award Charity. In addition to the new Forest Stack, the swings and the slide have been painted by a volunteer this summer making the whole playground so much more inviting, colourful and great fun to use.

At Somerleyton Village Hall:

Although the pandemic closed the village hall for a long period of time amazingly, some significant improvements have been made: new sound absorbing panels were installed by volunteers and this



has greatly improved the sound quality, eradicating the sometimes-annoying echo and a new thermostatically controlled heating system has been installed to replace the eight old infrared heaters and users have reported that it is so much more comfortable.

SCA would like to thank the many sponsors of the Forest Stack, its volunteers and all those who have contributed in some way to all fundraising efforts. Improvements remain ongoing and these despite the exceedingly difficult times we are all living through. Question or comments to hello@sca2004.org.uk or 07799 077959.

POLICE NEWS - SCAMS



You may have seen on our social media warnings around scams and frauds where victims are cold-called via the telephone by fraudsters purporting to be Police Officers/Detectives from London Police Stations.

While there are some variations, the general theme of the scam is that the caller tells the victim that they have someone in custody who appears to be in possession of a cloned bank

card belonging to the victim. The victim is asked to provide their bank account or card details to verify. Another theme is that the police are investigating a fraud involving banks and the victim is asked to withdraw cash to assist with this investigation which will be collected from the home address of the victim by a courier or if the victim advises that they can't get to a bank the fraudster may arrange for a taxi to collect the victim and take them to the bank. All of these scenarios are scams designed to con members of our society out of hard earned savings, sometimes several thousand pounds.

These scams generally target a specific area before moving on but they invariably return several weeks later. In an effort to safeguard our community I would be grateful if you could report this to Police via our non-emergency number 101 or our online reporting forms at www.norfolk.police.uk. Please do spread the word to your friends and family that Police will NEVER call you and ask for your bank account or card details, or ask you to withdraw cash to hand over to a courier. If you get a call like this hang up and report it to Norfolk Police via 101 or our online reporting forms.

Kind regards,

Daisy Woodward-Smith, Community Engagement Co-ordinator
– Great Yarmouth District, Community Safety, Equality, Diversity and Citizens in Policing Norfolk Constabulary, Great Yarmouth Police Station, Howard Street North, Great Yarmouth, NR30 1PH, Mobile: 07917642073 Daisy.WOODWARD-SMITH@norfolk.pnn.police.uk



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DIAL - MONEY & DEBT ADVICE....And More

Only 5 weeks till Christmas and we are in another lockdown and with lots of shops having to close will give us all time to write our Christmas lists. As mentioned in last months update the financial pressures on us all will make the need to budget for Christmas even more important working out what we can afford to spend on gifts and festive food and drink.

Something that came up recently with a family friend is that he had been stopped for speeding which was one thing but is now being fined as his driving licence was not renewed when he reached the age of 70. This is a reminder that it is a legal requirement to renew your licence when you reach 70 and then this must be done every 3 years thereafter. The change is free of charge.

DIAL continues to be open for help and support although both our office and Charity shop are currently closed with all appointments being undertaken by phone at a time convenient to yourselves. If you are worried about your finances, then please contact us as we are here to help and support you through a difficult time.

Our benefit advisors are also undertaking phone appointments and can help you complete the complex benefit claim forms for PIP, Carers Allowance and Attendance Allowance and will support you with Mandatory

reconsiderations and tribunal hearings when necessary.

You can make an appointment with one of our experienced and qualified advisors by calling our office on 01493 856900 between 9am and 5pm Monday-Friday and 9am until 4pm on Saturday or by calling in at our office on King Street which is open from 9.30am until 4pm Monday- Saturday. Our impartial and confidential advice service is open to all with fully accessible premises so please do not hesitate to contact us.

We have 3 new services added to the Dial services and they are as follows:

Energy Awareness Advocate

- Anji providing help and support to switch providers whilst giving energy saving hints and tips. She can be contacted on 07514669126

Digital Inclusion Advisor

Carole providing help and support to access online services including zoom, teams, social media, online shopping, banking and much more. She can be contacted on 07593449640

Women's Health Connector

- Maria providing help to book online medical appointments, health advice, confidential chats and free sanitary products. She can be contacted on 07514669116

We are updating both our website and Facebook page on a more regular basis with information that may be of use so please have a look as you may find something useful. Our website is www.dialgreatyarmouth.org.uk and

Facebook page is www.facebook.com/DIAL-Great-Yarmouth

The Covid19 virus continues to rise in our area so please help stop the spread by remembering to **Wash your hands more often. Carry and use alcohol gel when you cannot wash your hands. Wear a face covering in public indoor spaces. Keep your distance from others. Stick to the rule of six. Protect the NHS.**

Take care everyone, keep safe and well and have a good Christmas.

Jo Howes Manager.
 DIAL (Great Yarmouth)

J T'S LINE DANCE CLUB

Hello to all of my line dance ladies who attended JGI Belton, Hopton Village Hall and Gorleston Social Club. As some of you know we were going to try to start dancing mid September and after getting all the essentials together for a safe environment it was cancelled beyond my control. Rest assured that when we next come out of lockdown and the other classes are dancing I will find a place that will agree to let us dance there. As you know we were asked if we would like to be in the Portuguese film and some of you did take part in the filming of the line dancing, so thank you to those who plucked up the courage to do it. It was good fun and an experience. If I did not contact you this was because I do not have a phone number for you. And to end, I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and fingers crossed I will see you soon.

Jane

JGI TRUSTEES

As all the groups who had started back at the hall they now have to wait until the lockdown is over before starting again. We hope to see you all again some before Christmas we hope. We also hope other groups who have not return since the first lockdown will do so in the New Year. The Hall has been made

as safe as possible for all to use it no matter what your activity is. Contact us if you wish for further information or would like to see themselves the safety measures in place to make the hall Covid safe and useable.

YOGA AT THE JOHN GREEN INSTITUTE

We were able to start back our classes in September after the long lockdown but sadly because of another short lockdown in November yoga will now recommence on Monday 4th January and Tuesday 5th January.

Due to social distancing two classes a week are now being held and at present we are unable to take on any new clients. Classes commence at 10.15am for one hour on both days.

On November 28th Maisie our yoga teacher celebrated her 90th birthday and has run the class for 12 years. She has now decided to put her feet up and we will miss her very much.

The classes are now being run to audio CD instruction so some basic knowledge of yoga is advised.

May I take this opportunity to wish all the yoga ladies a very happy Christmas and a much better 2021. See you all next year. Any enquiries contact Julie on [01493780121](tel:01493780121)

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Belton Scout Group will be collecting newspaper, old phone directories, magazines, leaflets, thin card, (including Greeting Cards) in Belton on the these Saturdays in 2021.

Please leave outside your property by 8.45am.

January 9th	May 8th	September 11th
February 6th	June 5th	October 9th
March 13th	July 10th	November 6th
April 10th	August 7th	December 11th

If you **DO NOT** live in Belton, paper can be left at 6 Station Road North, Belton leave outside any time.

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The service will be available to watch via our Facebook page 'Arthur Jary & Sons Ltd'.

You can light a virtual candle at www.christmasremembrance.muchloved.com where you can also post photos and memories in tribute.

At times like these it is more important than ever we pull together as a community and this year we will be supporting both the Great Yarmouth Foodbank Network and the Salvation Army Christmas Present Appeal. Full details of these charities can be found on their websites:

www.greatyarmouthfoodbank.co.uk or
www.salvationarmy.org.uk/christmas-present-appeal

You can also donate money to either of these charities on our Much Loved page: www.christmasremembrance.muchloved.com or in any of our branches.

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DIARY DATES FOR DECEMBER

Saturday 5th December

Belton Scouts collecting old newspapers from 8.45am (Belton only)

Wednesdays from 9th December

JGI Belton
Wednesday Drop in (10.30am to Noon) see article

Friday 11th December

Burgh Castle Village Hall
10am-2pm Hall open for bargain Stall and refreshments (eat outside/takeaway) funds to Burgh Castle Church & Village Hall

Saturday 5th December

On-line Christmas Fayre Take-Away

Items purchased on-line and raffle prizes drawn can be collected at allotted times Covid secure)
All Saints Belton - In aid of The Pantry (foodbank for Belton, Burgh Castle & Browston)

Sunday 6th December – 2nd

Sunday of Advent

Holy Communion

9.30am St Peter & St Paul Church – in Church (government regulations allowing)

Morning Celebration

10.30am All Saints Church, Belton - on-line on Amazon Chime & Facebook Live

Messy Church : Messy Christmas

4-5pm All Saints Church, Belton - on-line on Amazon Chime & Facebook Live

Free family friendly fun – join us for crafts, activities and games and a time of worship and learning about Jesus

Friday 11th December

Women’s Bible Chat – All Saints Belton

10.30 am – 12 noon
Grab yourself a coffee and join us

Sunday 13th December – 3rd

Sunday of Advent

Morning Prayer

9.30am Burgh Castle Church on-line on Amazon Chime

Morning Celebration

10.30am All Saints Church, Belton - on-line on Amazon Chime & Facebook Live

Sunday 20th December – 4th

Sunday of Advent

Nine Lessons and Carols

9.30am St Peter & St Paul Church Burgh Castle- on-line on Amazon Chime

Christmas Celebration

10.30am All Saints Church Belton on-line on Amazon Chime & Facebook Live

Christmas Eve – Thursday 24th December

Crib Service – on-line - All Saints Belton

The Christmas story for children and all the family.

Children and adults invited to come dressed as shepherds, wise women, animals or angels.

Christmas Midnight Mass

11.30pm at St Peter & St Paul, Burgh Castle IN CHURCH if government regulations allow

Christmas Day – Friday 25th December

Christmas Day Family Celebration

10.30am All Saints Church, Belton - on-line on Amazon Chime & Facebook Live

Sunday 27th December

10.30am All Saints Church, Belton - on-line on Amazon Chime & Facebook Live

Sunday 3rd January 2021 Epiphany

Morning Prayer

9.30am St Peter & St Paul, Burgh Castle on-line on Amazon Chime

Morning Celebration

10.30am All Saints, Belton on-line on Amazon Chime & Facebook Live

NOTE - We have published some ‘general’ community dates here, some groups are meeting again, some are not, those who have contacted us will have a separate mention in the magazine but due to restrictions many are not accepting new members at present, please check with organisers before attending.

If you would like diary mentions in future months please e-mail beltonvvadds@gmail.com before noon on the 14th of the month.

**THE RETURN OF HAPPY TIMES
Burgh Castle Roman Fort**

This has been a two year project run by The Restoration Trust which is charity for people with mental health problems mainly based around Burgh Castle Roman Fort and the nearby Village Hall plus the Time and Tide Museum at Great Yarmouth which came to an end a couple of months ago.

The project, organised by the trust involved a group of 20 or so members with organised leaders meeting fortnightly at the hall and going for regular walks round the fort site although sometimes their activities



took them further to places such as Raveningham (for the sculpture trail) or Buckenham Fen and even a trip to London. As well as the leaders they were joined by various experts/guides at different times who covered such as nature, writing, dance, music and song. The group went out at all times of the year even including a night time walk and were only restricted by the Covid-19 lockdown

towards the end of the project but even then they continued to ‘meet’ using the ‘Zoom’ on line platform. The whole project which shows how the group became fully immersed into the programme has been videoed and is now available on line as an excellent 30 minute production with full commentary, why not take a look at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ODVpf0bwVQI&t=40s>.

DROP IN COFFEE MORNING AT JOHN GREEN INSTITUTE

Sad to say we had to halt our Wednesday morning gatherings for a while, but hope to return on Wednesday 10th December. It really was great to meet again over the last few weeks and we hope all who attended felt the benefit as much as we did. It was great evidence that the human being needs to meet with others to chat and exchange thoughts. God willing we will do it again soon and especially so we can have some kind of Christmas celebration before the 25th December. Keep safe and please pick up the telephone whenever you feel like a chat. We need it just as you do.

Bill and Sue Richmond

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BELTON ACTIVITY MORNINGS

Did you miss our section last month? Sorry about that! We are here now with 2 months of news to bring you up to date. As you all know we are in Lockdown 2. Let's hope this one sorts COVID out once and for all. Our thoughts are with all those lives that have been touched by Covid.

Back to November issue: Sallyann and Eileen Kirby attended Dorothy's funeral service on 23rd September on behalf of the group

members. We were honoured to be invited into the service and take



part in her remembrances, also having a chance to speak to her family and Tony outside giving our condolences, a lovely lady who will be missed by many. Jan Wyatt is home after her spell in hospital. I have spoken to Tony and Jan in November and they are keeping up with the exercises.

The Return of Belton Activity Morning: Our coffee & walk session enabled members to come together in an open safe space and bring your own coffee and have a walk in a safe environment. It was decided from this meeting to trial two weeks of Covid compliant classes in September. All the ground rules for opening were discussed on September 7th 2020. Members had to book a place and only 5 places were on each class. By the second week, a third class was introduced on the Monday. Sallyanns stamina held out, just!! October's classes were held Monday 12th & 19th October at 10 am, 11am & 12 noon, and they went well. At half term we had another Coffee & walk event which 15 members came together. (Pictured supplied by S. Protheroe). Classes were set to resume in November from the 2nd. A new schedule of exercises was planned to take us to Christmas. Unfortunately, we had to close again for Lockdown.

What's happening now? I am inviting Belton Activity Members to a 'Zoom 'Coffee Morning on a Monday mornings at 10 am. If you wish to join us please contact me so I can invite you. We are all still learning about it. The most important thing is to make your drink before you meet. Perhaps downloading the Zoom App may help; get grandchildren involved in your learning to use Zoom. You're not too old, give it a go. We would love to see you, Monday December 7th is TBC if no class, it will be a Zoom Mince Pie meet-up at 10 am. Look forward to seeing you soon. Contact Sallyann for more information on any of the above, email up4fitness@gmail.com telephone 07599044806 or private message me through messenger on my Facebook pages Sallyann Protheroe and up4fitness Thank you

A note from Brian Swan : Yes apologies for last month, I accidentally filed last month's notes in the previous month's work and so it never got as far as our editor- Brian.



GREAT YARMOUTH STROKE GROUP

Our thoughts are with all our volunteers wishing our wonderful members wishing you a happy and healthy Christmas we miss you all and are looking forward to when we can return to the laughter in the room, singing, dancing, quizzes and of course the tea break with great cakes plus the extras Lisa cutting hair, Rebecca painting and cutting nails all little luxuries we all miss. Birthdays this month are Doris, Sam, Sue Carter and Maisie, our photo this month is of birthday girl volunteer Sam Clark with mum Rita. For information about

the group contact Sue Casey 01493 781846.



BOHEMIANS FC

At the time of writing, we have just entered the second period of lockdown and hope that we are able to resume training after the 2nd December and get in a match two before the Christmas break.

We recognise that families face uncertain times with some being returned to furlough or losing their jobs which is why Bohemians FC were only too pleased to help out when we were ap-



proached by the Salvation Army food bank for assistance. Our teams and volunteers came up with a fantastic £115 of cash donations which the club used to purchase food and hygiene items for them. Attached is an image of just a third of the items we were able to pass on to the Salvation Army for distribution through their food bank scheme.

Our youth teams wore poppies on their shirts for their last games before lockdown on Sunday 1st November and held a minutes silence before kick off in support of Armistice Day and recognise the sacrifices of previous generations. In the new year, Bohemians will be resuming our Saturday morning soccer school so that local children who are not yet part of a football club, can enjoy



the benefits of organised team sports. We hope to set up teams from summer 2021 at u7 & u8 so please contact our secretary Alan on 07787 911403 for further details. Do not hesitate to contact us if you are at all interested in being involved in your local Charter Standard club, either as players, managers, administrators, referees or coaches.

Finally, we would like to wish all of our players, parents, our sponsors and volunteers a wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year.

BELTON JUDO

Due to the Covid-19 restrictions, Belton Judo Club (Dominic King Judo & MMA Academy) is unable to run any judo sessions at present. At the time of writing this update (the situation may well have changed by the time you read this) there is promising news of several vaccines in the final stages of testing so there is cause for some optimism and certainly an increasingly bright light at the end of the tunnel.

Any existing members wishing to take part in a Wednesday evening Zoom session that Dominic is running to help to keep fitness levels up to a reasonable level should contact him to obtain a code and password to take part. We regret that we cannot take any new members right now but please feel free to contact Dominic if you are interested in joining and we will get back to you as soon as the situation allows us to take on new members. Anyone wanting further details of any future sessions can contact Dominic on 07977 432756 or email on dominic@fightingfitjudo.co.uk or contact him via Facebook or WhatsApp.

BELTON FUN DAY 2021

Belton Funday & Classic Car Show will be back in 2021 on Saturday August 7th. On the New Road Sports Field and now partly funded by The Greater Yarmouth Tourism & Business Improvement Area Ltd.

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It will still be free entry but with £3 for car parking, for information contact . beltonfunday@outlook.com



ENTUA (East Norfolk Transport Users Association) is a voluntary independent body which monitors bus and rail provision in the East Norfolk Area. To learn more about

us and to view current bus and rail news please visit our website at eee.entua.org.uk.

With the closure of New Road for cycleway and footpath improvements, it will mean a diversion for the bus services that serve Belton. The upgrade is being done in 2 phases, the first will see the closure of New Road between the mini roundabout and the roundabout at the A143 (Gt. Yarmouth to Beccles) junction. This means access to Belton will be either via the Belton crossroads or via Stepshort. The second phase will involve closure between Waveney Drive and the mini roundabout. Although at the time of writing this article, the Parish Council are negotiating with Norfolk County Council the closure only extending to Deben Close to allow access to the school and shops.

As far as the X11 bus service is concerned, they will follow a diversionary route for both phases. From Monday 9th November, 2020 X11 buses towards Belton will exit the A47/A143 link road turning left onto the A143 as far as Belton crossroads where they will turn right onto the old Beccles Road. At the Rectory they will turn left into Station Road South, then Station Road North, St. John's Road and Waveney Drive, here they will turn right into New Road and go to the terminus on Bracon Road. At the appointed departure time they will leave Bracon Road turning right into Station Road South and follow the circuit around the village again for the purpose of picking up Great Yarmouth/Norwich passengers, travelling via New Road, Bracon Road towards Belton crossroads. Here they will turn left, follow the A143 to link road roundabout and then turn right towards James Paget Hospital.

At no time during this closure will the X11 serve the Kings Head bus stop. The nearest bus stop for these passengers will be in Waveney Drive.

For phase 1 the early morning 6B will continue to depart Bracon Road terminus at 0735 and follow the existing route around the village (calling at the Kings Head bus stop), turning left at the mini roundabout via Stepshort to Burgh Castle. The 2 evening 6B's will follow their normal inbound route via Bradwell, but at the A143 roundabout will carry on to Belton crossroads where they will turn right. At the Rectory Corner they will turn left into Station Road South then right into Bracon Road to the terminus. At the appointed time they will proceed to Rectory Corner, turn right into Station Road South, Station Road North, St. John's Road and Waveney Drive, here they will turn left calling at the Kings Head bus stop and leave Belton via the mini roundabout, Stepshort and then to Burgh Castle.

ENTUA does not have any information on what will happen to the 6B service in Phase 2 when New Road is closed between Waveney Drive and the mini roundabout. Hopefully this information will be to hand ready for next months article and prior to Phase 2 works commencing.

School Service 931 will be unaffected during Phase 1 of the works.

Not much else to report this month, except that by the time you read this article the fleet of Enviro 400 buses (ex Excel) will have been repainted into their new distinctive 'Coastlink' yellow livery.

Our sources tell us that the 2 Volvo B9 Gemini's, ex Green line buses currently painted in Excel livery (these buses have tables on both decks) will be the last to receive the 'Coastlink' livery.

Our thanks go to First Eastern Counties management, staff and crews for maintaining our vital bus services throughout this pandemic.

ENTUA always welcomes new members, all we ask is a minimum £5.00 annual donation which helps cover the cost of printing and postage of our very informative quarterly newsletter plus the cost of hiring venues for public meetings. To join please write to ENTUA, 18 Wensum Way, Belton NR31 9NY

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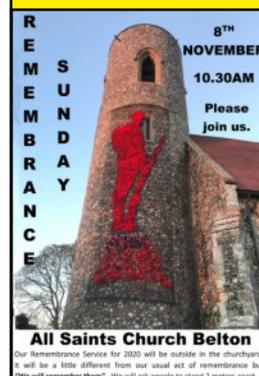
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REMEMBERING OUR LOST ONES



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Due to present restrictions there could not be a Remembrance service in the Church but there was the on-line Remembrance Service on Sunday 8th November with Rosie Bunn and at 11am the Last Post was played by Derek Mill by the Church Tower

of All Saints, Belton.

It was a glorious autumn blue sky sunny morning as the trumpet sounds echoed through the church yard. This was followed by the 2 minutes of silence. Also, to help remembering this year there was a sign of 2020 marked out by the Tower by large pebbles which people had decorated with a poppy and a message to remember a loved one lost. It was also great to see a war time jeep by the church gate raising funds for the poppy appeal.

Bill Richmond

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Just make sure it's clean, dry and don't bag it when it goes into your green bin. With wrapping paper, just remove any sticky tape and do the "scrunch test" – if it holds its shape when you scrunch it into a ball then it's good to recycle. But nappies, clothing, food waste, electricals, paper towels and tissues cannot go into the green bin. You can also recycle your real Christmas trees at Caister's Household Recycling Centre, open 9am to 4pm every day except for Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.

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