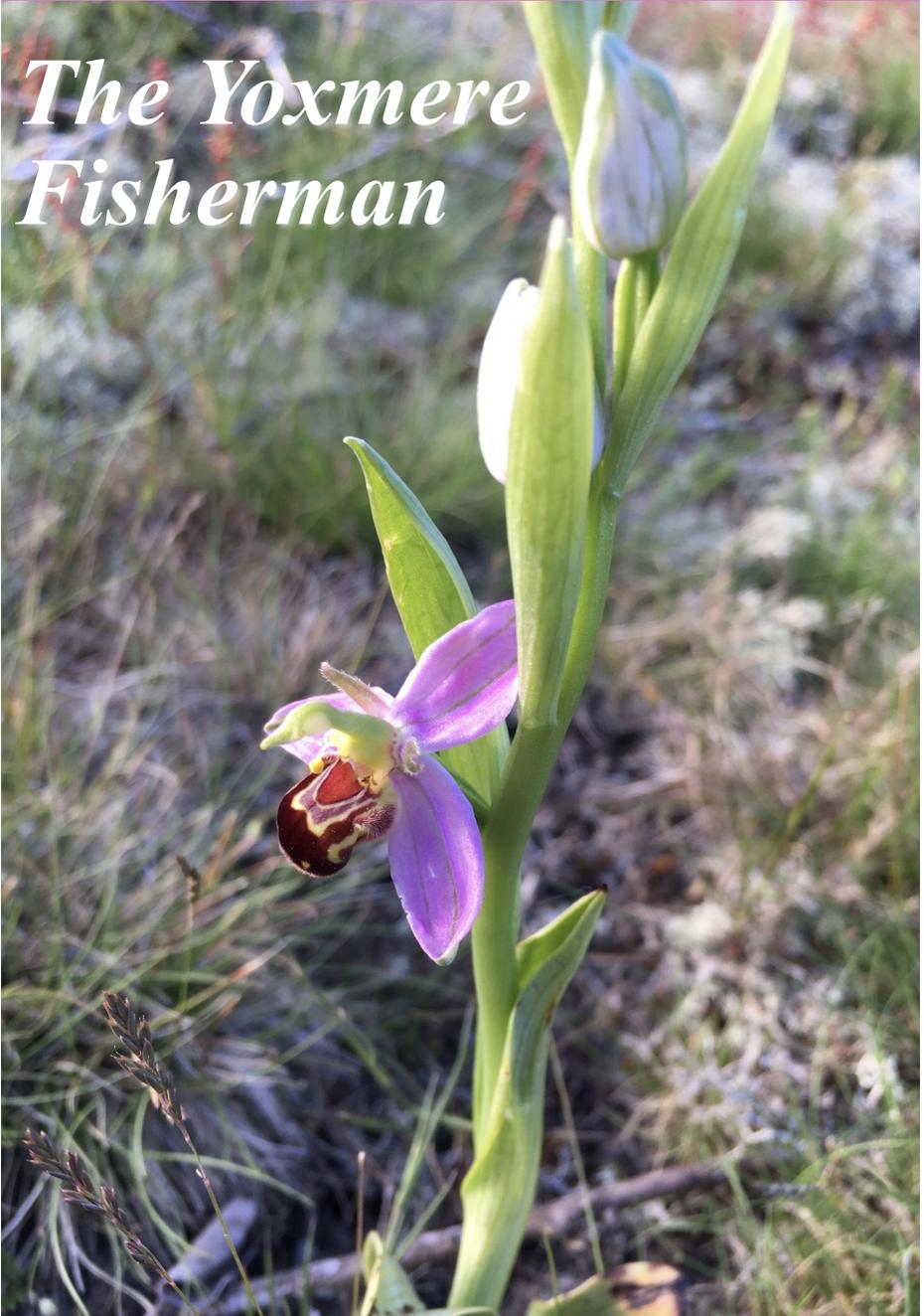


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*The Yoxmere  
Fisherman*



**July 2021**

# Services for July

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## Sunday 4th July

09.30 Westleton Holy Communion  
11.00 Yoxford Holy Communion  
18.30 ZOOM Evening Prayer

## Sunday 11th July

09.30 Darsham Morning Praise  
Theberton Taizé Service  
Westleton Worship for All  
Yoxford Holy Communion  
11.00 Dunwich Holy Communion  
Middleton Morning Praise  
Peasenhall Morning Prayer  
18.30 ZOOM Celtic Evening Prayer

## Sunday 18th July

09.30 Theberton Holy Communion  
Westleton Holy Communion  
Yoxford family@church  
11.00 Darsham Holy Communion  
Dunwich Morning Worship  
Peasenhall Holy Communion (BCP)  
18.30 Sibton Evensong

## Trinity 5

Holy Communion  
Holy Communion  
Evening Prayer

## Trinity 6

Morning Praise  
Taizé Service  
Worship for All  
Holy Communion  
Morning Praise  
Morning Prayer  
Celtic Evening Prayer

## Trinity 7

Holy Communion  
Holy Communion  
family@church  
Holy Communion  
Morning Worship  
Holy Communion (BCP)  
Evensong

## Sunday 25th July

09.30 Theberton Holy Communion  
with Middleton  
Yoxford Holy Communion  
10.00 Westleton Celebration service  
for Wildflower  
Wander  
11.00 Dunwich Holy Communion  
Peasenhall Service at  
Methodist Chapel  
18.00 Darsham Evening Prayer

## Trinity 8

Holy Communion  
with Middleton  
Holy Communion  
Celebration service  
for Wildflower  
Wander  
Holy Communion  
Service at  
Methodist Chapel  
Evening Prayer

## Sunday 1st August

09.30 Dunwich Holy Communion  
11.00 Yoxford Holy Communion

## Trinity 9

Holy Communion  
Holy Communion

## Every Wednesday

10.00 Westleton Holy Communion  
(NB This was previously at 09.00)  
20.00 ZOOM Night Prayer

**Note:** Holy Communion will follow the Common Worship order of service, except where BCP (*The Book of Common Prayer*) is indicated

### For links to Zoom services

please contact Maureen Jolley on  
[maureen.yoxmereclergy@gmail.com](mailto:maureen.yoxmereclergy@gmail.com)

**It is mandatory to wear a face covering in church, use hand sanitiser and observe social distancing.**



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Thanks to Juliet Bullimore for the cover photo of a bee orchid.

# Rector's Ramblings

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A few months ago I talked about Winnie the Pooh. More recent bedtime stories at the Rectory have included *The Hobbit* and *The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe* (both smash hits with my boys). Actually, my six-year-old claimed the latter was terrible, stinky and boring (I think those were some of his words) for roughly half the book, until round about the point when Father Christmas comes and gives presents to the children. At this point he graciously changed

his tune to "I don't like it... I love it!" and there was much rejoicing — because a six-year-old being read a story he thinks is boring is hard work.

Do you know the connection between the Narnia books and *The Hobbit*?

C. S. Lewis and J. R. R. Tolkien were friends — part of a group called the Inklings, who discussed literature over a pint or two. Furthermore, Tolkien was one of the key influences for C. S. Lewis when he became first a believer in God generally, and then a Christian. C. S. Lewis became the more famously Christian, as he wrote both non-fiction Christian books, and fiction shot through with Christian faith.

*The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe* is much the most famous and obvious of these. Four children find their way into Narnia. Edmund encounters the White Witch and falls under the spell of her Turkish Delight and the prospect of being sole king, reigning over his brother and sisters. The others don't meet her at first, are more honest hearted, and join with the good animals seeking to unite with Aslan against the Witch. The climax of the story, in which Aslan dies but comes back to life, breaking the stone table, is a way of talking about Jesus' death and resurrection that does remarkable justice to some of the theology of Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

Some years ago I was involved in a church holiday club, and we put on plays that did the same sort of thing. I wrote a number of these, and *The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe* was always my model for how to talk about Christian faith in an exciting story that communicated something of the Bible's overall story. My stories were based around pirates, Arabian Nights, Atlantis and superheroes...

People have for a long time recognised that seven is an auspicious number and that the Narnia stories work as a set, but have failed to understand the "deep magic" (if I may put it that way) of what binds the stories together.

In 2008 Michael Ward published an intriguing study of C. S. Lewis's stories, observing that Lewis was fascinated by the mediaeval idea that the seven planets (Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn in the mediaeval world) could symbolise different characteristics of God. Ward argues that each book of the heptalogy has its own celestial body. *The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe*, for example, is shaped by Jupiter. Lewis didn't expect children to see this or appreciate it, but did it for his own sense of artistic purpose and completion.

Years later another, quietly Christian, author struck upon the idea of writing a heptalogy of children's books that proved quite popular... But you know about Harry Potter, don't you?

If you get away on holiday this summer, I hope you too have an adventure! Or maybe you'll just pick up something by C. S. Lewis or J. R. R. Tolkien to read?

All blessings,  
Tim.

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Below: canine-  
themed  
arrangement to  
celebrate Hearing  
Dogs (see Page 28)



Right: Painting by a member of Westleton Art Group  
See Page 26 for details of their exhibition.



Below: At Moat Farm, young alpaca Jensen on the left greets his new playmate, who is just one day old.



## Lectionary & Liturgical Colours for July

4th	Green	2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10	2 Corinthians 12:2-10	Mark 6:1-13
11th	Green	2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19	Ephesians 1:3-14	Mark 6:14-29
18th	Green	2 Samuel 7:1-14a	Ephesians 2:11-22	Mark 6:30-34, 53-56
25th	Green	2 Samuel 11:1-15	Ephesians 3:14-21	John 6:14-21

### From the Registers

#### Funerals\_

**Simon Michael Hilary Raison** on Friday, 21st May 2021 aged 82 years; in St Peter's Church Theberton, followed by a burial in Theberton graveyard.

**Edith May Jordan** on Wednesday, 26th May 2021 aged 96 years; in St Peter's Church Westleton, followed by cremation at Seven Hills Crematorium Ipswich.

#### Baptism\_

**Ivie Hope Ehimare** on Thursday 3rd June 2021. The service took place in St Peter's Church, Yoxford.

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Town Pastors patrol the streets on three out of four Fridays, usually from around 10pm until late into the night, supported in prayer by one or two people operating from our Base at the United Church and also by people praying at home. We have been unable to operate during the Covid pandemic but now that the night time economy has opened up again, we are excited to be ministering again on the streets, helping to keep our town safe, providing a listening ear (especially after such a difficult year or so), and meeting needs where possible such as ensuring vulnerable people get home safely, removing potentially harmful items from the streets, and diffusing aggressive situations before they escalate.

We are always keen to recruit more volunteers in any of the above-mentioned capacities and our co-ordinator is happy to provide further information by visiting your church to speak about our ministry, by chatting on the telephone or by sending information via email. You can contact her at [leistontp@gmail.com](mailto:leistontp@gmail.com) or phone her on **07804 004669**

Financial support is also very welcome and all contributions, however small, are gratefully received.

**Margaret Graver, Co-ordinator**



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We are restricted on numbers of people allowed in at any one time so you may have to wait outside before you can enter.

We continue to remain open for advice by email, phone and post on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10-2pm, alongside the new appointment service.

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He who binds to himself a joy  
Doth the winged life destroy;  
He who catches the joy as it flies  
Lives in eternity’s sunrise.

When I am listening to Radio 3 or Classic FM, the music chosen by the presenter comes as a gift – an element of surprise and sometimes a real delight, a thrill. This brings moments of the expanding of our souls and a glimpse of heaven, which *my* choice rarely does! If classical music isn’t your thing, substitute something else and surely this will be seen to be the experience of us all. This contemporary obsession with choice is part of the cult of the individual, which has been prevalent in western culture for the past 200 years. Life is all about ME: MY happiness, MY rights, MY freedom, MY life, body and soul – yes, and MY choice. We feel we must be in control:

I am the master of my fate,  
I am the captain of my soul.

Is this really what life is about? For millions, it seems that it is. But should it be so? We didn’t choose to exist, yet here we are. Life itself is a gift. Each day is a gift. Our life starts with the Given; and the Given lies at the root of every moment of every day. So much for our being captain of our souls!

Then there are those precious moments in which we are suddenly filled with a sense of wellbeing, in which our innermost self seems to expand into fullness and we know we are part of something infinitely bigger....

These, too, come unexpectedly. They take us by surprise and are pure gift! These moments are the grace of God our creator reaching out to us and touching his presence deep within us, which, in turn, reaches out to him.

There is so much in our lives that has absolutely nothing to do with our choosing, let alone being in control. The appropriate response on our part is thankfulness.

Of course, this doesn't mean that all we have to do is simply sit and wait for God's gifts and meanwhile do nothing! It does mean that in all our activity, in all our thinking, planning and striving, we need to be aware that underlying it all is gift. It means that we need to be ready for the unexpected and surprising. As Gerry Hughes so effectively reminded us in his popular book, *God is the "God of Surprises"*.

When I was a curate, my vicar had above his study door, commanding the attention of all who were about to leave, "Expect a miracle." No doubt there was a wrong way of taking this. It wasn't an invitation to expect God to work miracles on our behalf in answer to our problems. It was an invitation, indeed a salutary challenge, to expect the improbable and be ready for a surprise moment. This is counter-cultural. It goes against the general flow, where being totally in command of one's life is the ideal; where choice is all important and is doing one's own thing. "I did it my way" went a popular song (sadly, used at some funerals). But Jesus was counter-cultural. We should, as his followers, often find ourselves being counter-cultural too! It's no use claiming to be his follower on Sundays and then simply going with the flow from Monday to Saturday.

The "flow" will be right sometimes. But if we are Christians, we need to be aware when it isn't, accept the challenge to go against it and show in our lives that there is a better way!

**John Kemp**

# Darsham

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## All Saints Church

Service details are shown on the church notice board. The church will also be open daily for individual prayer.

The service on 13th June took place on a lovely sunny morning in the churchyard and it was so good to be able to sing some of our favourite hymns in the fresh air.

## Friday Prayers

These are held at 9.30 in church and will no longer be available online.

## Reminder

When we had the first lockdown, you were able to take a hymn book and order of service home for your personal use. Now the church is open again, please can you return them to the church? Thank you.

**John Millward**

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## Darsham Village Hall 100 Club for May:

1st (£100) : Mr. & Mrs. M. Smith ; 2nd (£50) : Mrs. E. Wall; 3rd (£25) Mr. B. Norman

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## Ron Reeve

Derek and Sharon Reeve would like to thank all our friends in Darsham and surrounding villages who gave support to us during Ron's short illness and following his death during the very difficult time of Covid restrictions.

It was unfortunate that his funeral had to be held on a cold wet day with a very restricted congregation. We know the church would have overflowed in normal times.

Dad loved Darsham and over the years gave a lot of his time and energy to the village as Chairman of the Parish Council and the Village Hall.

We are sure that his work with his wife Olive as Local History Recorder for Darsham since 1982 will be a lasting memorial to them both.

This acknowledgement has been delayed a while until the *Fisherman* was back in print in order that all can have the opportunity to read it.

Thanks to all.

**Derek Reeve**

# Darsham (cont.)

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## **Darsham Village Hall**

It has been so good to welcome folk back into our beautiful village hall after the long months of lockdown. During that time we have been busy working on our new constitution, and carrying out various projects to improve the hall further, including the installation of high-speed WiFi, which will eventually help us to control heating and lighting from our remote devices and of course benefit our users. Thanks are due to Darsham Parish Council for their financial support with this project.

Our most recent acquisition is a double pétanque court. Its construction is almost complete, and we plan to hold open evenings for people in the village to come along and try it out. In the future we would like to take part in the local league and get to know other teams in the area.

We have been able to start up many of our classes and activities again, although not all - we are very aware that some are not yet comfortable to attend events inside the building. Because of this, we held an outdoor Big Breakfast coffee morning on Saturday 12th June; this was a great opportunity for villagers to come together again for the first time since Christmas, and it was lovely to see so many people and to catch up with friends old and new.

We will be having a Village Day on 21st August. People are invited to bring their own picnic and join in the various activities going on; more about that next month. The Horticultural Show will take place on 18th September.

The committee is hoping to organise other events later in the year, like a quiz night and possibly a musical evening. Let's hope we will soon be able to get back to some kind of normality.

All activities and events are on our web pages on [www.darshamvillagehall.net](http://www.darshamvillagehall.net). If you would like to book the Hall or just come along to join in one of the activities, just get in touch with our Bookings Secretary at [bookings@darshamvillagehall.net](mailto:bookings@darshamvillagehall.net).

**Katherine MacIntosh**

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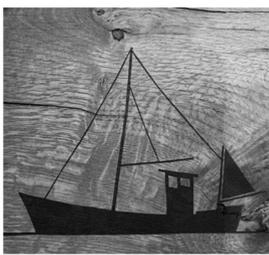
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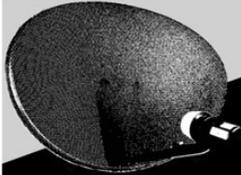
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## Dunwich (cont.)

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### Dunwich Rewilding Group

Do you enjoy gardening? Would you like to help rewild your local community? Dunwich Museum, along with Greyfriars Trust, is forming a green-fingered group to enrich the natural environment, meeting regularly over the spring and summer months.

We will be researching and planting medieval and bee-friendly plants. To sign-up please email [manager@dunwichmuseum.org.uk](mailto:manager@dunwichmuseum.org.uk).

We will be sending out details of our first meeting.



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### Volunteer at Dunwich Museum

Dunwich Museum is once again up and running and welcoming visitors! We are keen to recruit some more volunteers to join the marvellous museum community. Dunwich Museum is a popular and friendly museum, with fun for all the family.



We would welcome help with front of house, activity days, collections care, gardening and archaeology projects. Help needed on the weekend and during the week.

To get involved please email [manager@dunwichmuseum.org.uk](mailto:manager@dunwichmuseum.org.uk) or call **01728 648796**.

**Beth Brookhouse**

# Middleton

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## Middleton WI

In May we had two Zoom meetings. On the 5th Catherine Howard Dobson gave us a virtual tour of the newly refurbished Aldeburgh Museum in the Moot Hall. As well as being the meeting place for the Town Council (they sit at a beautiful, long, local crafted table), both floors contain varied and interesting artefacts from Aldeburgh's past. There are films and interactive exhibits that give information on local history, families, the witches of Aldeburgh, sea pilots, lifeboats, pirates, fishing, floods, and much more. It is an ancient building containing lots of treasures. Well worth a visit.



On the 19th our second Zoom meeting was a presentation from Sarah Clarke, the information manager for the FCC Environment and Recycling Centres in Suffolk. She took us through what happens to the contents of our bins. The green waste is made into compost, the recyclables are sorted by hand into paper, plastics, and metal for making new products of the same, and in Suffolk the other household waste does not go into landfill but is incinerated to make



energy to power 30,000 homes. The ash is used to make building materials. The recycling centres (as in Leiston) can accept everything you might want to get rid of except sinks and building rubble. These days people must make an appointment online or by phone to visit the centre. It was useful to learn there is a bin for unwanted items too good to throw away but which can be donated to be resold for charity.

Sarah's talk was useful and timely.

Next month I hope to be reporting on "real" meetings!

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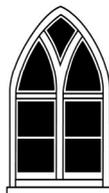
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# Middleton (cont.)

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## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH MIDDLETON RECEIVES A LIFELINE GRANT FROM THE GOVERNMENT'S CULTURE RECOVERY FUND

### REMINDER

By the time you read this the vital repairs at Holy Trinity, Middleton on the South East Buttress should have begun. Unless any unexpected delays or issues arise, the work is expected to last for six weeks. All details remain the same as advised in the May and June editions of the *Fisherman* and the Middleton newsletter.

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As you will read elsewhere, although Holy Trinity Church has been awarded a grant for essential stabilising construction work, the grant is finite. It is essential that funds generated through this year's Open Gardens event support this crucial work.

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# Peasehall & Sibton

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## RAISING AWARENESS OF PROSTATE CANCER

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All four brothers have had a diagnosis of prostate cancer over the last few years and have undergone treatment. We are all thankfully in remission, owing to early diagnosis and effective interventions.

Our aims are twofold: firstly, to heighten awareness of the symptoms and available treatments of prostate cancer; and secondly, we hope to raise much needed money for Prostate Cancer UK to help them fund research into the causes and new ways of combating this cancer.

As part of our efforts, an afternoon cream tea has been organised at Farthings, Sibton Road, Peasehall, on **Saturday, 28th August from 2.30pm**. All are welcome and although there will be no charge for the tea, we hope that anyone coming along will be generous with their donations to help with our fundraising for the charity.

**Please save the date in your diary.** More information will be available in the August edition of the Fisherman.

**Chris Norrington**



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# Sibton

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## Repairs to St Peter's Church

During lockdown the Friends of St Peter's, Sibton have been working and planning for further much needed repairs to Sibton's church building. At the same time we hope that others may join us on the committee to help spread the word about what is happening at and to this beautiful building that has been inspiration for the village of Sibton and the locality for over one thousand years.

For some time a post on the Friends Committee has been vacant. It means that up-to-date news is not being spread abroad about what is happening, or of the chances for you to have your say in how events can take place. We would welcome anyone to the committee who feels they can help, be that organising a mailing list, encouraging membership or helping to inform the community about upcoming events. The commitment in terms of meetings would be three to four times a year; beyond that it would be what you make of it!

Please do make contact either by emailing [sibtonchurchfriends@gmail.com](mailto:sibtonchurchfriends@gmail.com) or talking to anyone on the committee: Stephen Stansfeld who is chairman, Andrew Campbell who is secretary, Rodney Baker-Bates who is treasurer, or our committee members: Jan Belton who is churchwarden, Juliet Levett-Scrivener who is also a member of the PCC, Rosie Norton, and David Sims.

We always enjoy our meetings together, and your help and any skill you can bring will always be greatly appreciated.

**Andrew Campbell**

AT SIBTON CHURCH a grant from National Churches Trust is being used to investigate potential movement of the nave roof. All Churches Trust has granted £2,000 for the same purpose. The survey is needed because Sibton Church has been put on Historic England's "At Risk" register for the precarious state of its beautiful 15th century hammerbeam roof.

The investigative survey of the nave roof will lead to a feasibility study providing options for a major repair project. All this will help towards applying for funding for the cost of repairs.

The church was founded in 1150 AD, and much of its medieval structure remains, including the beautiful hammerbeam ceiling above the nave. A major initiative, developed in conjunction with the Diocese of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich, cleared the nave of pews. This re-ordering provided a pavement-tiled floor as well as a more efficient heating system, and does much to provide more freedom for today's forms of worship. And, as well as continuing to be the parish church, the building is now used for community events for the locality and has the entertainment facilities for the purpose.

However, attention to the state of the roof is definitely needed!

**Andrew Campbell**



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*If you would like to join us, please contact the secretary at the above email address with your name, address, information and details of what you would like to sell.*

***Sharon Earp, Secretary PCC***

At last! After more than a year of waiting...

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### ***Red Skies by Ivan Cutting***

Westleton Village Hall on Tuesday 20th July 2021  
at 2.30pm and 7.30pm

*Red Skies* features two of Suffolk's most famous residents: George Orwell, who took his name from the Ipswich river, and Arthur Ransome, who lived on it, and asks what would have happened if they had met.

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## Westleton (cont.)

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Westleton Art Group

# SUMMER EXHIBITION

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The village hall is a Covid-compliant venue.



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## Lorna Turner 1937 - 2020

was a much loved member of the Westleton community. She belonged to many groups and organisations : spinning and weaving, the Westleton Art Group, WI, the Family History Society, etc. She was a member of TAGs (the Textile and Art Group) and had exhibited at Snape.

Over the years, she accumulated a varied array of materials. There will be a sale of these (Covid permitting) on **8th July for one week** at **I, Chameleon** (the pop-up shop in the Halesworth Thoroughfare)

Please come and help recycle all Lorna's beautiful stuff: material, cottons, silks, machine embroidery threads, beads, buttons, ribbons and embellishments, felt, wall hangings, bias binding, wire, lace, kits and many quirky items, all at very reasonable prices.



**Ann Bebbington**

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### TALLIS CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

The concert scheduled for 11th July has been cancelled owing to continuing Covid restrictions. See <https://www.tco.org.uk/concerts> for further news.

### 100 CLUB RESULTS FOR MAY

1st 134 Lynda and Edward Tyler  
2nd 97 Mr D Collett

# Westleton (cont.)

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## HEALTH WALKS

OneLife Suffolk helps local people live healthier lives. OneLife Suffolk's FREE Health Walks are led by trained volunteers all across the county. The walks are graded from 1 to 5 to suit ability, offering something for everyone.



We promised you more in the last issue so here are some lovely summer walks for you to enjoy!

9.30am Friday 9th July Walking Westleton Woods

10.00am Thursday 22nd July Westleton Heath Woodland Walk

10.30am Monday 2nd August Dunwich, Greyfriars Woods & Dunwich Heath

10.30am Tuesday 17th August A Walk on Westleton Common

Refreshments are available to purchase at Westleton Village Hall, 10-12noon.

For full details and how to book see [www.onelifesuffolk.co.uk](http://www.onelifesuffolk.co.uk) or call **01473 718193**.

**The Westleton Walking for Health Group (Elaine, Sue, Joyce, Hillas and Judie)**

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## News from Westleton Village Hall

Just a reminder that the Hall's bright, light foyer and the space outside are now open every weekday from 10am-12noon for chat, coffee and other light refreshments - do come along and see for yourself.

We also have a new type of dance class with Jen - Nia Dance (Non Impact Aerobics) on Tuesday evenings 6-7pm and Thursday mornings 9.30-10.30am. Trish is back with Stretch and Strengthen on Wednesday 10-11am and is now offering an excellent chair-based exercise class 11.30am-12.15pm afterwards. Pilates is at 7-8pm Thursdays and Qi Gong at 11am-12noon on Thursdays as well. Linda is starting three new activities soon, in the afternoons in the foyer - a Monday Craft Group, Wednesday Fix-It Club and Board Games/Quizzes on a Friday. All from 2-4pm. Everyone is very welcome.

If food is more your thing then Michelle is offering brunch 'Brunching Out' in the foyer 10am -12 noon on Sunday 11th and 25th July (and fortnightly thereafter), and she is also offering children's cooking classes in school holiday times. Book early to avoid disappointment!

We also now have hairdressing, footcare and ear wax removal clinics regularly, and last but not least Westleton Art Group is holding its annual Art Exhibition on Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th July 10am - 5pm. Second-hand books are also now on sale when the hall is open.

If you have any queries, require further information or for bookings, please contact Annie on **01728 648354** or [centremanager@westletonvillagehall.co.uk](mailto:centremanager@westletonvillagehall.co.uk).

# Westleton (cont.)

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## WESTLETON WI

After a long absence we could at last come out blinking into the light to meet on 25th May. Our garden tea could not take place in Gill Wood's lovely garden due to raindrops falling on our heads, so we had to find shelter in our Covid-safe hall. Pre-packed scones and tea were supplied by the Snug and were as lovely as ever. Best of all was meeting up with people we had not seen in a long time and having the chance to catch up - even though by now we are all a bit battle-scarred!

Not wasting any time, the WI joined the Westleton Gardeners in a plant and cake sale on the hot afternoon of 5th June and made the grand sum of £131.25, which will be donated to the Ipswich Hospital Blossom Appeal - a breast cancer charity. Thank you for all the contributions.

We will be meeting again on 29th June at 7:30 - with the now familiar caveat of Covid allowing. Our speaker will be from Hill Farm Oils at Heveningham. Enjoy the sunshine in the meantime. ` **Susanne Bennell**

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## Westleton Common News

We have experienced unusual weather conditions this year - late frosts (causing the gorse to look rather sad and brown), a cold dry April, followed by a wet May and a hot start to June.



Nightjar

The nightingales arrived late, with rather muted song; in contrast nightjars have been heard loudly churring in two distinct areas of the common in mid June. By the time you read this, we hope the Silver Studded Blue butterflies will have put in an appearance - they are also appearing later than usual.

Towards the east side of the common the elusive beautiful Bee Orchids have reappeared after an absence of a few years.

## Management

The Common Advisory Group was able to meet for the first time this year, on June 2nd, after Covid restrictions were lifted. Among the matters discussed was whether there should be a second emergency vehicle access to the common from the Noddle carparking area; this has been referred on to the Westleton Parish Council.

The minutes of the Advisory Group Meeting held on 2nd June 2021 are available to read on the Westleton website at [westleton.onesuffolk.net/westleton-common/advisory-group-meetings](http://westleton.onesuffolk.net/westleton-common/advisory-group-meetings).

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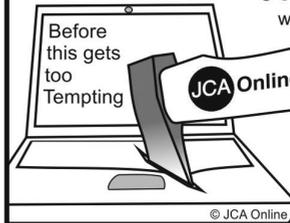
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## St Peter's Church

A huge thank you to everyone who helped make the Flower Festival such a success. The overall theme was Thanksgiving, and the two photos featured are "Art and Music" by Jenny Quilter and "Thank You for Dogs" by Jane Hannen. [See photos on Page 5.] Thank you for all the beautiful and inspired flower arrangements, for those delicious cakes and jams, for tombola prizes, for organ music, and for everyone who helped to man the church. It was wonderful to be able to welcome people back into the church, and thanks to all of you we raised £1,100. Wonderful!

**Carole Lee**

## VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR DELIVERING THE FISHERMAN

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**Barrie Davis**

## Circle 67: Shorter Shakespeare Tour of *Much Ado About Nothing*

Sigh no more, ladies, sigh no more. The war is won. The darkness is over. Summer has arrived and it's time to meet old friends again. After an awful year, we, like you, are delighted to return to doing what we love most. In our case, performing in front of live audiences.

*Much Ado about Nothing* was the obvious choice for our return production. It's one of Shakespeare's best-loved comedies and chronicles a rocky road to the altar for two couples: But as we all know the course of true love never runs smooth.

Entrance is free, but as usual, we'll pass a hat round at the end, so please give generously if you enjoy the show. We are really looking forward to seeing you all...and Hey Nonny Nonny!

**Steve Chadwick, Chairman**



All performances start at 7:30 unless specified and last about an hour.

27th July - Bramfield "The Queen's Head"

28th July - Bungay Castle

29th July - Laxfield "The Low House"

30th July - Dunwich "The Ship"

31st July - Wenhaston Common (2pm)

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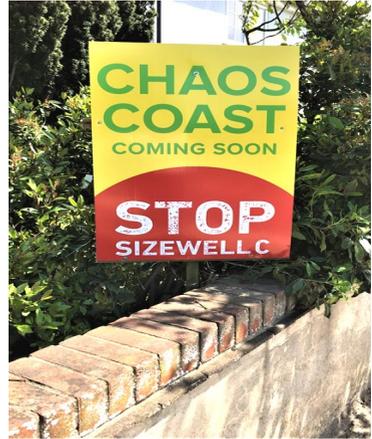
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## Update from Stop Sizewell C

June has been a very busy time for Stop Sizewell C, with a new advertising campaign launched, a couple of events, and continued engagement with the Sizewell C planning process.

Our ad campaign features images by Antony Easton, former Saatchi creative director. These are available in leaflet form - which you should have all received: A4 posters for your windows, or larger correx boards for the roadside (see photo for example, multiple designs available). If you can help us spread the word, either by asking local businesses if they will take leaflets, or by putting a poster or board up, please email [info@stopsizewellc.org](mailto:info@stopsizewellc.org). The campaign will feature at Latitude Festival later this month. For more information see [www.stopsizewellc.org/no](http://www.stopsizewellc.org/no)



On 6th July we will hold a hustings for the by-election which is taking place to fill two vacant seats in the Aldeburgh & Leiston Ward for East Suffolk Council (polling day 8th July). It will take place in Theberton Church from 6 - 7pm. At time of going to print, five of the seven candidates are confirmed, and Bill Turnbull will chair. Booking is essential so the event can be Covid-compliant. See [www.bit.ly/ESCBYElection](http://www.bit.ly/ESCBYElection)

**Alison Downes**

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### Alde Valley Family History Group:

**"Celebrating Suffolk Women" by Sarah Doig, Monday, 19th July at 7.30pm**

This is a Zoom event, free to members, but also available to non-members at a cost of £3. To attend, please register via our website <https://avsfhg.org.uk/events/book/> by Friday 16th July at the latest. Why not consider taking a full year's membership for only £6?

**Maggie Strutt**

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### Mid Suffolk Cribbage League

We hope to resurrect our crib league in September 2021. We have arranged the Annual General Meeting to decide the best way forward. This will be held at **Saxtead Old Mill** on **Tuesday 27th July 2021** commencing at **8pm**.

For further details, please phone **01728 602348** or email: [lorrainelloyd@uwclub.net](mailto:lorrainelloyd@uwclub.net)  
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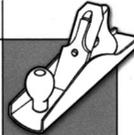
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