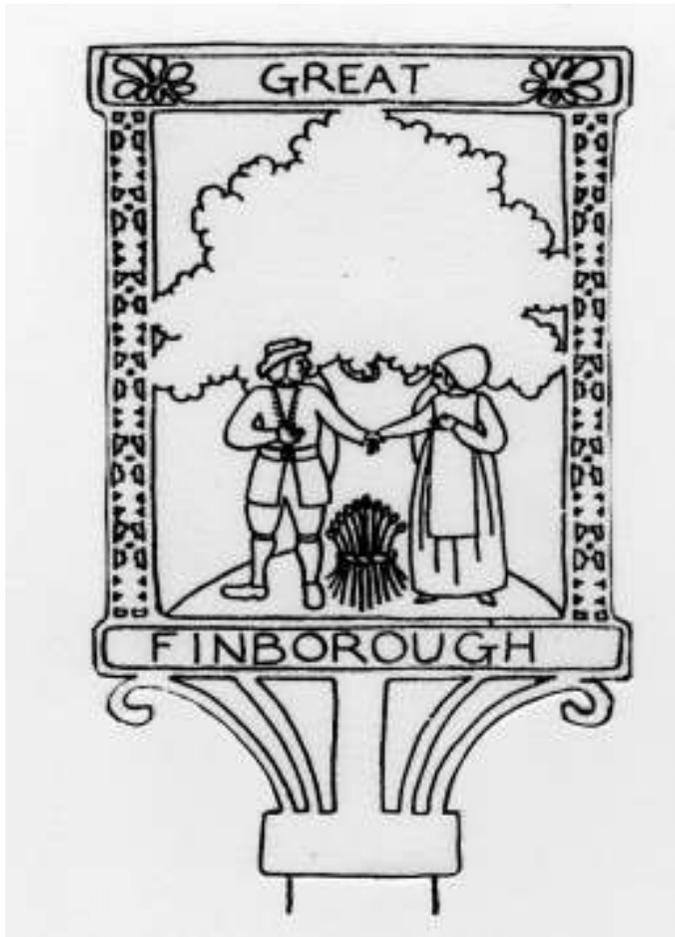


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| 4 | 6pm | Brownies, Primary School |
| 6 | noon | Lent lunch (see advert) |
| 6 | 3.20pm | Easter Egg Hunt, Finborough Primary School |
| 7 | 7pm | Candlestick Club, Buxhall Village Hall |
| 8 | 6.30pm | Beetle Drive, Onehouse Church Room |
| 14 | 7.30pm | Garden Club meeting, Petteward Hall |
| 14 | 7.30pm | Table Tennis, Onehouse Church Room |
| 17 | 3pm | Onehouse Ramblers, Church Room car park |
| 20 | 7pm | Buxhall Women's Institute, Buxhall Village Hall |
| 21 | 6.30pm | Charity Bingo, Petteward Hall |
| 26 | 12.00pm | FHOBS lunch, Buxhall Village Hall |
| 28 | 4.30pm | Skylarks, Onehouse Church Room |
| 28 | 7.30pm | Table Tennis, Onehouse Church Room |
| 29 | | Buxhall Royal Wedding Celebrations (see advert) |

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| 5 | | Parish Council Elections |
| 15 | 10.30am- 1.30pm | Giant Garage Sale Trail (see advert) |

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Decorating St Andrews Church for Easter 23 April 10.30-12.30



All will be welcome to lend a hand in decorating the church ready for the Easter celebrations. Coffee and cake will be served. All levels of skill welcome. We look forward to seeing you.



Editorial

At last Great Finborough and the other villages in the Benefice have a Priest in Charge. After the Interregnum (Church of England euphemism for not filling vacancies very fast), Rev. Chris Childs is our new vicar. As he is well known to us all we are not expecting he will need a long induction programme and he is already in post. I'm sure you will join me in wishing him every success in his new role. Living on the Finborough edge of Buxhall now, he has moved in the right direction! I understand he and his family will be staying in their own home rather than the vicarage. His contact details are in Who's Who.

There are other important decisions to be made now. This time by all of us in Great Finborough. And quickly. Elections for membership of the Parish Council for the next four years require that you decide by 4 April whether you want to stand for election.

If you know someone newly arrived and living in the village, or neighbours moving on, please let me know. 15 May is the copy deadline for material for the June 2011 edition. Please put 'newsletter' in the header if you are emailing. Norman and I welcome visitors so if you need to contact me 'phone, email or call in to Park Cottage any time. The kettle is always on.

Sally Gooch



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2011 Parish Council Elections

Local elections take place this year on Thursday 5 May. This means there is an opportunity for electors to stand for election to the Parish Council. A number of existing Councillors are not standing having served their four year term, so it is important that new blood comes forward.

Once the election is past, it is no good moaning about what the Parish Council does or does not do. It is now you can make a difference by standing for election. The healthiest situation we can have is a contested election so that all Councillors are elected and have a mandate from their neighbours to represent them.

Standing for the Parish Council – there are seven seats – is a simple process. Please seriously consider standing, or persuade one of your neighbours to stand. If you are interested in finding out how to go about it, please take a look at <http://www.beacouncillor.org.uk> The timetable for the election is as follows:

- Nomination papers can be downloaded from the Mid Suffolk District Council website now at: <http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/CouncilAndDemocracy/Elections/2011+District+and+Parish+Elections.htm>
- Any questions may be referred to electoralservices@midsuffolk.gov.uk or telephone 724672.
- Completed nomination papers may be delivered to the District Council at Needham Market from 21 March and must be received by noon on 4 April 2011. This date and time are fixed by law.
- If the number of candidates does not exceed the number of seats available, an election is not contested, and the result will be declared before polling day.
- If an election is contested, polling will take place on Thursday 5 May 2011.
- Counting will take place and the results will be published on Friday 6 May.

Go on, make sure you have your say to make sure our Parish Council is really representative for the next four years.

Richard Brice, Parish Councillor



Buxhall Women's Institute

February's meeting had our usual great attendance. We must be doing something right! It cannot just be the great catering. Our speaker for the evening was acupuncturist, Annya Stoddart. Often our speakers have trouble locating the hall, but Annya is a Buxhall resident with a practice in Stowmarket.

Pat who had volunteered her arm to allow Annya to demonstrate her techniques was probably delighted to hear that she practised techniques which only require very fine needles and that these only need to go in a little way! Apparently some techniques practised in Asia require much larger needles to be placed quite deeply. I have benefitted from acupuncture in the past and presumed that all acupuncturists used the same techniques. If I am ever in need again I will be sure to ask which technique is used. Although a large proportion of her clients first visit her to manage pain we learnt that acupuncture can be used to help with many other conditions, including stress, fertility problems, and some sleep disorders.

Annya also uses yoga and relaxation techniques in her practice and ended her presentation by talking us all through some relaxation exercises which left us all very relaxed and rested. Normally having a room full of sleepy people at the end of a presentation is not the desired response, but in this case, it was just perfect. Meetings are usually in Buxhall Village Hall on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. The next is on 20 April when Peter Battey's talk is entitled 'Punch and Judy'. Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start. **Helen Matthews**

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Hello everyone. May I introduce myself as your local Community Police Officer. Along with Police Community Support Officer, Sian Uttley, we are responsible for Great Finborough, working within the Mid Suffolk South Safer Neighbourhood Team based at Elmswell. We will provide you with monthly information about what is happening in the area and welcome any contact from you on any issues. You can also view our website www.onesuffolk.co.uk/safersuffolk/midsuffolksouth

Our current priorities for the Team are:

- Road Safety for children
- Reduce Scrap Metal Thefts in the Mid Suffolk South Area.

There have been no crimes of note over the last month but we are aware of concerns about speeding, especially along the High Road. As featured in last month's newsletter and also raised with Parish Councillors. There is a Community Speedwatch Scheme for the village and you may want to play your part in reducing speeding by becoming involved. If there are particular individuals you see speeding or if there are times and days that are worse then please provide details. Meanwhile we will monitor this situation as often as we can.

Theft of scrap metal, particularly lead, copper and catalytic converters, is on the increase so please be vigilant and take as many steps to protect your property and spread the word. 'Smart water' can be used to paint onto precious metal giving it a unique identification code that cannot be seen to the naked eye. If you would like any crime prevention advice on this or any other matter then please do not hesitate to contact us. Our Police Direct Scheme is a free service that sends you a message by email, text or voicemail of matters relating to your postcode area including crimes, suspicious persons or vehicles. To register contact 01473 613997 or register online at www.suffolk.police.uk.

Annelly Miles, PC 421

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Derek Ames (613328)

Tea with Trudy

What nicer place to have a cup of tea and some light refreshments than in the beautiful Northumbrian countryside at the foot of the Cheviot Hills. And no nicer hosts could I have wished for than Trudy and Ian Gray in their new, albeit temporary, home in the vicarage at Alwinton. As most of you know, Trudy has taken a five year term of office in this very northerly parish comprising three churches. She is enthusiastic about the changes she has had to embrace including the remoteness compared with life in Great Finborough; the very white and long Winter; and regular congregations of 50-100 parishioners. She has been an active priest, not just with regular church services but baptisms, funerals and her first wedding booked too.

Trudy and Ian live in a stone built cottage at the edge of the churchyard with the church itself sitting higher up. The view is absolutely lovely with the hills and valley showing the English countryside in its unspoilt beauty. Trudy is no stranger to Northumberland. Her mother comes from Broomhill which is a village about twenty miles east and almost on the coast.

Ian is happy with a new garden to tend and bring back to a level of beauty and production that it must have had years ago. There is so much for him to do and much evidence of his efforts so far. Dead wood chain sawed off trees; extensive preparatory work on the many vegetables he is putting in; and repairing and extending the garden path and old driveway. His raspberry canes neatly in rows bought with some of the money they were given as their going away present – for which he says “thank you”.

All in all they have settled in well and are very much at home in their beautiful surroundings. It was a lovely visit for me and my sister and I hope to do it again and bring back more news about their progress. There are a number of holiday chalets a few hundred yards away so if any of you fancies a peaceful retreat near an old friend then this is the place to go. Trudy asks to be remembered to everyone back in Suffolk and says “God bless you all”.

Norman Vendittelli



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Finborough Wildlife Group (FWG)

If you go down to the woods today you're in for a big surprise. Well may be, because the village wildlife group is working with Natural England and the Nature Conservancy Council to reintroduce mammal species to the parish, which were once native to Suffolk, but have since become extinct.



Top of the list for reintroduction is the Dormouse (*Muscardinus avellanarius*), the only dormouse native to the UK. It disappeared from Finborough in the late nineteenth century. This little fellow will be a welcome addition to our woods and hedgerows and may, from time to time, be a garden visitor (especially when tempted with pickle and cornflakes).

Second, it will not be a surprise that there are large sustainable local populations of roe, fallow and muntjac deer. A recent survey has confirmed that the numbers are sufficiently self-sustaining to warrant the re-introduction of extinct predator species as a biological control. Against this backdrop, the wildlife group is delighted to have won grant-aid to reintroduce a small pack of wolves to Finborough Wood.

Although the Wolf (*Canis lupus*) has earned a bad name in some quarters, they very rarely take pet animals and almost never small children, unless they are wearing red hoods. Residents can be assured that the previous large mammal reintroduction to the village has largely gone unnoticed and a family of Brown Bear (*Ursus arctos*) have been living quietly in the wood behind Pear Tree Close since May 2009. The only noticeable effect has been increased porridge sales at the village shop. The wolf pack will be released just before noon on Friday 1 April.

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We need your garages to make the sale a fab. success. For just a £5 donation your garage will be included in our trail map. These events are historically very popular and this is a brilliant opportunity for you to empty out those lofts and cupboards and make a little extra spring cash. To book your garage in please call:

- Delia Prior 675096 or 07708 362697
- Jane Nunn 736881
- Graham & Val 737113.

Closing date for entries Sunday 1 May. Donations of cakes for the cake stall always appreciated!

Jane Nunn

Buxhall and Great Finborough over 60's (Candlestick Club)

Our opening meeting for the year 2011 is on Thursday 7 April in Buxhall Village Hall at 7pm. This takes the form of a social evening. An entertainer has been booked and light refreshments will be available. For some of our outings this year we will be joining up with Onehouse, Harleston and Shelland as before. On a financial note, subscriptions will be due at our April meeting. Janet Proctor, our Treasurer, will be trying to squeeze the £6 out of you. Any member wishing to be picked up or requiring transport on 7 April please let me know. New members are always welcome.

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Allotments

Despite the Parish Council's announcement in the February newsletter that it had 'decided to progress the matter through compulsory purchase or compulsory lease' the March meeting decided to leave it to the next meeting, after the May elections, when there will be a new Parish Council. They did, again, instruct the Clerk to investigate the procedures for compulsory action so that the information would be available to the new Council. I provided information on this last July so, on behalf of the allotmenters, I was a bit critical. John Matthissen defended the Parish Council by pointing out how much had been achieved on other projects in the village in the last year. The Clerk suggested that one of the people interested in an allotment should stand for the Parish Council. As there are already two potential allotmenters on the PC we need two more and we could have a ruling majority. The Great Finborough Parish Council could be controlled by *The Allotment Party!* Just a joke but it is a thought!

John Davey

News from Great Finborough Primary School

In March children from Years 3 and 4 had the opportunity to perform at the Snape Maltings' Celebration of Schools' Music. Here are some of the things they have written about their experience:

"When we got to Snape Maltings we all had our yummy lunch. After lunch we put our black plimsolls on to get ready for the rehearsal. When all of us were lined up we went into the outstanding concert hall. There were really bright lights, when you said something in the smooth black microphone it would echo all around the big hall. First Maddy spoke in the black microphone then the shining suns danced, their performance was brilliant".

"When I first got onto the stage there were so many people it was so frightening. At first it was hard to see my family. Soon the show had started and I was determined to do well so I sat still and concentrated! Before I knew it was the Moon Dance. I walked gracefully looking proud. I quickly picked up my ribbon and twirled it around I was doing well. Unfortunately I still felt scared but I kept going. Then it was the Star Dance. I was amazed at how well the people playing flutes did. After the stars danced I had to do drums I was very astonished it was brilliant. It was nearly the end we all went to the front of the stage to perform our song. We did well then it was our turn to watch".

"Finally we had the chance to perform in a proper theatre. When we went on the stage I was amazed at how many people were there. It looked scary but all you needed to do was pretend that they were not there, I got used to it. I was thinking it was scary but I enjoyed it. I could see my Mum and they liked it and it was very loud when all of the people clapped".

"When I stood on stage I was very nervous and excited. Lots of people I didn't know were there. I was so shocked with how many people there was. After we did the sun dance it was the moon's time to dance and I played the glockenspiel".

Stephen Dodd

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Onehouse Ramblers

The next walk will be on Sunday 17 April, starting from the Church Room car park at 3pm. How about coming to join us for a walk of about 5 miles over local footpaths?

Derek Ames

Charity Bingo

The next session will be on 21 April at 6.30pm at Pettward Hall. All proceeds made will go to Friends of Great Finborough Primary School. There will be bingo, a raffle and refreshments. All welcome, Children to be accompanied by an adult. Please come along and join in the fun. If you have any unwanted raffle prizes they wish to donate, please feel free to bring along on the night or contact either Mari Green (770032) or me.

Sharla Goldsmith

News from Onehouse

A Beetle Drive will be held in the Church Room, Onehouse, on Friday 8 April at 6.30pm. Admission is £2 and refreshments will be available. These evenings are always such fun. A real chance for families and friends to get together. This is an ideal chance for the Benefice villages to meet up and catch up! Any enquiries to Gloria 676198 or me on 736025.

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There will be a Work Party at the Church Room, Onehouse on 9, 10 and 11 April. Making good and decorating are just a couple of the jobs that we will be tackling. Many hands make light work so if you can help at all please contact me or Gloria.

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News from the Woodpecker Hill Group

Work on the woodland now being managed by The Woodpecker Hill Group got underway on 6 March. After hard work an area was cleared with creation of seating and habitat woodpiles. We would like to thank our friends in the community for their help, especially to Ian Cameron for his chainsaw expertise and loan of the garden club equipment; to John Matthissen for the donation of saplings; and to all the other people who came along to help.

The very next week children of Great Finborough Primary School used the area. Blue Class had their Forest school session there and Green Class went there on their weekly welly walk. This has further strengthened the link between the Group and the primary school, which will be involved in lots of exciting future projects.

The first project for the children was to design a logo for the Group. We had a very tricky time deciding which of the beautiful pictures would be 'the One'. We can announce that Chloe Poulding of Red Class was the overall winner. Congratulations and thank you to everyone who entered.

On 16 March the inaugural celebration took place at the primary school. There was a short assembly with Grenville Clark from The Green Light Trust, to which the Group is affiliated. This was followed by the children of Purple Class planting some saplings in the tree nursery and the ceremonial planting of a Rowan tree. County Councillor Penny Otton kindly funded the Rowan tree and the tree nursery materials. Thank you to her and to The Woodland Trust for the saplings.

The tree is our gift to the school in thanks and anticipation of the work in which they will be involved. The children have planted a time capsule filled with something from each class. We hope to get together again in 50 years time to dig it up. There's a date for your diary! Thank you to all who attended the inaugural celebration.

We will be continuing to work on clearing the area and making improvements for quite some time. We will be grateful to anyone who comes to help, gives advice or simply brings along a flask of tea.

If you are unaware of the area I am talking about, it can be accessed via Pear Tree Place. Do go and take a look as this is an area for the community. All that we ask is that you treat it with respect, and report any suspicious behaviour immediately. For further information please call Rob Nurton on 674396.

Lisa Gilson

News from the Friends of Great Finborough Primary School

Easter Egg Hunt

We are organising an Easter egg hunt at the primary school. It will take place at 3.20pm on 6 April 2011. There will be an egg hunt, a raffle and a cake stall. So please come along and join in the fun and help us raise money for the Friends.

Squirrel Garden Club

We are beginning to get up and running again this term with children clearing the garden ready for planting. They have already planted sunflowers; prepared potatoes for planting; and sold some crocus plants that they had planted over the Winter. A big thank you again to the Great Finborough and District Garden Club for the donation of two garden forks and some bird boxes for the playground.

If anyone has any small children's garden gloves they do not need donations would be very handy for the children taking part in gardening club. Please leave any donations with the school office or pass to one of the gardening club helpers.

Unwanted gifts

We are always looking and relying on donations of raffle prizes and other things to help us with our fundraising. We will take any of unwanted gifts off your hands. Please drop off any donations at school or speak to a member of the Friends.

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John Davey

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Great Finborough & District Garden Club

The weather this month has shown signs that Spring is returning. The temperatures are slowly on the rise. Daffodils are starting to bloom; and the crocus and hyacinths are in flower. The March meeting was an illustrated talk by Mike Perry from our local seedsmen, Thompson and Morgan. He showed us how from small beginnings a worldwide business has grown along with the, sometimes, years of work that goes into developing a new variety.

Our next meeting will be held in the Pettward Hall on Thursday 14 April at 7.30pm when Sarah Cook will be speaking about those stately additions to the garden, the Iris and their breeder, Sir Cedric Morris.

The 2011 Village Open Gardens will be held on Sunday 3 July in aid of a charity to be decided by the membership of the Club at the April meeting. If you would be interested in opening your garden to help us in our efforts we would be delighted to hear from you. It is not necessary to be a member of the Club to participate and receive an invitation to the prestigious 'President's Lawn BBQ'.

If you are interested in joining the Garden Club or would like to join us for any event you will be very welcome. Membership is £12.50 per household per year. Non-members can attend meetings for £2 per person. For further information contact me or John Davey at john@abbeyclassics.co.uk - see Who's Who. **Judith Cameron**

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The Railway Club would welcome new members with an interest in model railways and the real thing. It meets every Tuesday evening at a specially adapted building in Stonham Aspal. Members enjoy presentations, guest speakers and modelling evenings and have access to an extensive library of books, magazines and DVDs. There will be more information on the Club at the Exhibition or visit the website at www.stowrailclub.org.uk. Please telephone me on 771360 if you think you would be interested in joining us. **David Preece**

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Julie Parr

CHURCH SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE FOR APRIL 2011

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| <p>Sunday 3 April Family Communion Family Service Family Service with school Family Service and baptism Family Communion</p> | <p>Mothering Sunday Buxhall 9.30am Shelland 9.30am Finborough 11am Onehouse Church 11am Harleston 11am</p> |
| <p>Sunday 10 April Matins Holy Communion Holy Communion Evening Service</p> | <p>Lent 5 Buxhall 9.30am Harleston 9.30am Shelland 9.30am Finborough 6pm</p> |
| <p>Sunday 17 April Sung Eucharist Matins Holy Communion Family Communion</p> | <p>Palm Sunday Buxhall 9.30am Shelland 9.30am Finborough 11am Harleston 11am</p> |
| <p>Thursday 21 April Benefit Eucharist</p> | <p>Maundy Thursday Shelland 7.30pm</p> |
| <p>Friday 22 April Good Friday Workshop Walk of Witness Last Hour</p> | <p>Good Friday Finborough 10.30am Onehouse 10.30am Harleston 2pm</p> |
| <p>Saturday 23 April New Fire and Eggs Tenebrae</p> | <p>Easter Eve Buxhall 4pm Finborough 8pm</p> |
| <p>Sunday 24 April Easter Sung Eucharist Easter Family Communion Easter Family Communion Easter Family Communion & Baptism Easter Family Communion</p> | <p>Easter Day Buxhall 9.30am Shelland 9.30am Finborough 11am Onehouse Church 11am Harleston 11am</p> |

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