GREAT FINBOROUGH NEWSLETTER



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	VILLAGE DIARY - APRIL
10am	Village Litter Pick, Car Park
7.30pm	Parish Council, Pettiward Hall
7pm	Film Night, Pettiward Hall
7.30pm	Garden Club, Pettiward Hall
4.10pm	Mobile Library, Oak Close
9.30am-Noon	Valuation Event, St Andrew's Church
10am	Easter Egg Hunt, Pettiward Hall
	7.30pm 7pm 7.30pm 4.10pm 9.30am-Noon

VILLAGE DIARY – May

2	6.30am-10pm	Elections, Pettiward Hall
2 9	7.30pm	Garden Club, Pettiward Hall
13	7.30pm	Parish Council, Pettiward Hall
14	7.30pm	Annual Village Meeting, Pettiward Hall

Zumba class, Pettiward Hall, every Tuesday 11am, every Thursday 7pm

Yoga Class, Pettiward Hall, Every Monday, 8pm, Term time only

Brownies, Pettiward Hall, Every Monday, 6pm, Term time only

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS 2019

8 April, 13 May, 7.30pm in Pettiward Hall

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Editorial

It's hard to believe that we have already reached the month of April! Last month saw some strong winds which came as a shock after some unseasonably warm weather but hopefully we now have longer days and brighter skies to cheer us up. At least the daffodils and crocus on the greens survived and are adding lovely colour to the village.

Along with the new month we also see the start of the new Petanque season for the village pub team so if you fancy having a go, see Peter's article on page 20. The pub has a new menu and is now open all day Tuesday's through until Sunday's so give it a go. The film nights continue to go from strength to strength and the Yoga and Zumba classes now seem to have regular attendees. There is even talk of resurrecting the Finborough Flyers cycling group.

On the subject of cycling, it has just been announced that the Women's professional cycling tour will be finishing in Stowmarket on the first day of this year's event on June 10. Luckily for Great Finborough we get to see them pass through the village not once but twice so make sure you put the date in your diary and book your spot on the green to witness this International sporting occasion.

May will see the elections for your new Parish Council so if you think you can spare a small amount of time and care about the way our village looks and is maintained and run why not put yourself forward for election. Details are available from the Parish Clerk or ask any current member of the council. It's your village, help make a difference.

Don't forget the Mobile Post Office Van, every Thursday 1.45pm to 3.15pm in the village car park.

The 15 April is the deadline for inclusion for the May issue of the Newsletter, so please contact Simon Tarabella or Peter Turner, or drop in to Maple Lodge, the kettle is always on.

Simon Tarabella

Great Finborough Parish Council

The March meeting of the Parish Council was held on the 11 of the month at 7.30pm. The following matters were discussed and noted;

District Councillors report - Cllr Matthissen's report was received. It was noted that the planning officer for the proposed development on land in front of Buxhall Lodge had decided that the applicant needed to revise certain parts of the proposal prior to it being considered by committee.

County Councillors report - Cllr Otten's report was received. It was noted that with regards to school transport, families entitled to receive free school travel must now opt-in. The application window for this year is 1 March 2019 to 31 May 2019. There is more information available at www.suffolkonboard.com/optin.

Public participation - A group of residents from Coombs Lane voiced their concerns over traffic volume and speeds along the road. Following discussions, it was agreed that the Parish Clerk would ask Highways if it was possible for a traffic count to be carried out at the Great Finborough end of the road.

Footpaths - Discussions were had over the proposal to produce a footpath map of our Parish. It was generally agreed that this would be a good idea and that more research was needed into production costs and whether any village residents might have the necessary skills to help with production.

The next litter pick is Sunday 7 April, meet in Village car park 10am, all gear provided.

The date of the Annual village meeting was set for the 14 May. Next Parish meeting 8 April, upstairs room Pettiward Hall, all welcome.

Paula Gladwell





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The Pettiward Hall

"Little Ernie"

The winners in the March draw were Vicki Hease and Marion Mason. They each received £7.75.

The new lottery scheme starts on 1 April but don't worry if you miss the deadline as you can join at any time — you just pay for how many months are left. For example, if you join in time for the May draw you pay £11 for one chance per month until March 2020. Please contact me for an application form.

Mary Preece

Great Finborough Lent Lunch



Please join us on Wednesday 3 April from 1230 at Maple Lodge,
High Road, the home of Simon and Jacqueline
Tarabella
You will be most welcome
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News from your District Councillor - John Matthissen

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Elections and Boundary Changes

This will be my last village news report before the local elections due on the 2 May. Although I will be standing for re-election to represent the villages, the outcome is in your hands so I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has helped, raised issues or otherwise worked with me to try and do our best for our communities.

Disabled Facilities Grants

The Council provides help to owners, private renters and council tenants where adaptations are needed due to illness or disability. The process for assessing and carrying out such work has for several years been far too slow and, following recommendations of Scrutiny Committee and a decision by Cabinet, should now be much quicker for straightforward work. If you think you may need help with such adaptations please see:

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Dangerous Bridge

Thanks to the local resident who has approached me regarding the bridge at the bottom of the hill from Finborough towards Stowmarket and the possibility of priority signing similar to that at Burford Bridge. This has been pursued previously with the County Council without success, however following discussion with our County Councillor, Penny Otton, and the support of Finborough Parish Council we will be pursuing the matter once again. Many of you will know that very many minor collisions take place there, and I have collected the evidence during several village litter picks. We may need a petition in support of this and I would welcome emails and phone calls from anyone willing to help.

John Matthissen

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Great Finborough & District Garden Club

They say that gardeners are never satisfied, but the weather has thrown everything it can us in the last few weeks so a little sunshine would now be welcome! However, do not forget that frost and snow are still possible so we shouldn't let the previous mild temperatures lull us into a false sense of security.

The March meeting was a talk by Graham Proctor from Crown Nurseries who brought us a beautiful selection of spring flowering shrubs and plants, many with beautiful scent, which can be used to give interest in the garden in the early spring, some also have interesting foliage so give even better value. He also provided useful tips on pruning and after care for all early flowerers.

Our next meeting will be at 7.30pm on the 11 April when David Holmes will be raking up the past with a shed full of old garden tools.

Please give some thought to the AGM in May and whether you might be able to join the committee of your club. There is always room for new committee members to help keep the club buoyant and prevent the old stagers from stagnating! If you would like to help, put your name forward at the AGM, it's not onerous and can be very enjoyable.

Finally, 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 only £15.00 per household per year, due in May. For further information contact: Judith Cameron (see Who's who)

Judith Cameron

Over 60s Candlestick Club

The opening meeting of the Club for 2019 is on Thursday 4 April at 7.00pm in Buxhall Village Hall. It takes the form of a social occasion with entertainment booked and the Committee members doing a few nibbles. Janet will be collecting subscriptions and also there will be a draw for Club funds. We have arranged some outings throughout the year starting with a mystery outing on 2 May. Details of the trips with times, etc will be given out at the opening meeting. Hope to see you all there, new members are always welcome.

Keith (736598)

Men's Breakfast

Saturday 11th May 2019 in Buxhall Village Hall at 8.0am

Speaker: Jonathan Steed

finish by 9.30am

There will be an offering to cover expenses

Please book places with Derek Ames by Wednesday 8th May (Tel. 613328) We now only serve traditional cooked breakfast.

Jonathan is MD at Gipping Press and will speak about being a Christian in the world of business.

Onehouse News

The Good Friday Walk of Witness on 19 April in the Trinity Hall will commence at a new time this year of 11am. The Service involves processing around Onehouse village, stopping at certain points to sing, have a scripture reading and a prayer. This year there will be a MESSY CHURCH starting at 9 30am until 10 30am in the TRINITY HALL. Parents and children are invited to join in activities connected with Good Friday. As mentioned above, then the Walk of Witness will commence at 11am. Once we arrive back to the Hall after the Walk, a Fish and Chip meal and pud will be available but this MUST be pre ordered from Carole on 736025 or Ray 613343. Child's portions are available. Adult portions are £6. Orders must be in before Wed 17 April.

Onehouse Lent Lunch will be held in the TRINITY HALL on Wednesday 10 April at 12 noon immediately after the Communion and Coffee Morning. There will be no charge but donations will be gratefully received. These will go to the Bishop's Fund for Kagera. The people of Kagera are being encouraged to grow crops that do not require too much water. Hopefully in the future, nutritious and plentiful crops will be available to all. Please come along and support us. This event is always a happy and social time.

Buxhall Quiz

Another excellent fun Quiz Night was held in the Village Hall, with 14 teams taking part in eight rounds of questions. Throughout the night three teams were keeping pace with each other, and at the end team TRUDY won with 206 points followed closely by Judith & Co with 198, and Sue and Friends on 196. Keith as Question Master kept everyone entertained, and a great atmosphere was had. Special thanks to Anne who helped set the questions, to all the teams for their generosity in buying draw tickets and donating draw prizes, which enabled us to make a fantastic amount of £400 for Village Hall refurbishment. Hope to see you all back in October.

Mim

10 July-31 August 2019

Summer theatre returns to the Southwold Arts Centre this year under new ownership. Matthew Townshend has taken over under the new brand of 'Theatre on the Coast'. Shows include Patrick Marlowe's *The End of the Line, A Bunch of Amateurs* by Ian Hislop and Nick Newman, Debbie Issitt's *The Woman who Cooked her Husband*, finishing with *Hobson's Choice* by Harold Brighouse. Find out more at www.mtproductions.co.uk **Tickets available online from start of April via Ticketsource.**



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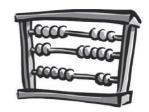
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From the Rectory April 2019

In February I was fortunate to meet Malcolm Guite, a prominent Christian poet. His writing below speaks to me of Easter and reminds me of two recent conversations. One was about the Christian faith and another was with someone who had to make a life changing decision. Neither knew what the response of others would be - neither had proof, but both

jumped – as it were – and both have landed well. Easter calls us to do the same, because it can help us become the people we are meant to be and give us that contentment for which we surely yearn

First Steps, Brancaster Malcolm Guite

This is the day to leave the dark behind you
Take the adventure, step beyond the hearth,
Shake off at last the shackles that confined you,
And find the courage for the forward path.
You yearned for freedom through the long night watches,
The day has come and you are free to choose,
Now is your time and season.
Companioned still by your familiar crutches,
And leaning on the props you hope to lose,
You step outside and widen your horizon.

After the dimly burning wick of winter
That seemed to dull and darken everything
The April sun shines clear beyond your shelter
And clean as sight itself. The reed-birds sing,
As heaven reaches down to touch the earth
And circle her, revealing everywhere
A lovely, longed-for blue.
Breathe deep and be renewed by every breath,
Kinned to the keen east wind and cleansing air,
As though the blue itself were blowing through you.

You keep the coastal path where edge meets edge, The sea and salt marsh touching in North Norfolk, Reed cutters cuttings, patterned in the sedge, Open and ease the way that you will walk, Unbroken reeds still wave their feathered fronds Through which you glimpse the long line of the sea And hear its healing voice.

Tentative steps begin to break your bonds, You push on through the pain that sets you free, Towards the day when broken bones rejoice

Please support your church Annual Meeting in St Andrew's church at 7.30pm on 24th April.

Written reports are presented on the life and work of the church, its finances and maintenance of the building. There are opportunities to ask questions and elect Churchwardens and PCC members. All residents and or members of the Electoral Roll welcome.

Services of Compline will be held at 8pm in Churches as follows: Wed 3 April – Harleston, Fri 12 April - Shelland, Tue 23 April - (Trinity Hall) Onehouse

The ancient office of Compline derives its name from a Latin word meaning 'completion'. It is above all a service of quietness and reflection before rest at the end of the day. It is most effective when the ending is indeed an ending, without additions, conversation or noise. If the service is in church, those present depart in silence Rev Chris



St Andrews Gt Finborough 3.30pm Friday
5 April
Trinity Hall Onehouse 9.30am Friday
19 April
St Mary's Combs 11am Friday 19
April

All for children and with appropriate refreshments.

And Little Finborough's Palm Sunday 14 April procession from Old Thatches Battisford - with a donkey to a short service and tea in church is also suitable for children. Enquiries to the clergy

Palm Sunday 14 April 6.30pm Gt Finborough

During Evensong Derek Ames will give an illustrated talk on his trip to Uganda, where he has helped to support a Day Care Clinic, and his visit to Rwanda.

Easter Lillies

I dare say the Church flower ladies will welcome the usual monetary donations towards Lillies 'in memoriam' as usual so if you would like to contribute ... and if you aren't sure who they are. Ask me or one of the Churchwardens

Lent Charity Lunches

Gt Finborough Wednesday 3 April Maple Lodge High Road 12.30pm **Buxhall** Saturday 6 April in church in conjunction with the Church Gift Day 12noon

Onehouse Wednesday 10 April Trinity Hall 12noon **Combs** Thursday 28 March Combs Church Hall Poplar Hill 12noon

Rev Arlene Cruickshanks

As we all know Arlene had suffered poor health for some years but nevertheless her death came as a great shock to many of us. The attendance at her funeral and the vast number of cards and wishes that Ron received stand in testimony to the high regard with which she was held in these communities. Wonderful tributes were made at her funeral by the family and Canon David Crawley former chaplain at the West Suffolk Hospital where, following Ordination, Arlene volunteered. Bishop Martin was represented by Canon Diane Williams, Rural Dean.

On behalf of these parishes I thank her for her work over many years directly in serving the church but also in the wider community where she was well known. We renew our condolences to Ron, Jill and Scott. RIP Arlene

Rev Chris

Parish Register for Gt Finborough

There were no entries in the Parish register this month

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Great Finborough and Buxhall Under 5's

WOW, we have been so busy since Christmas, we've celebrated Chinese New Year following their custom of making lucky red envelopes, but we put chocolate money in ours, Yum. And looked at how important our emergency services are to us. This term we are learning about where different foods come from and how they grow and having a go at growing some of our own. We also have some special days including Mother's Day, world book day, red nose day and Easter.

We visited Finborough court on Valentine's Day and made beautiful flower arrangements with the residents there. We sang them some of our favourite songs and they sang us some of theirs, wonderful morning.

We have spent some of our hard-earned fund-raising money on some lovely new ride-on's to share with Friday's toddler group.

An update on our setting – a lot of our days at present are fully booked at the moment but we are taking booking for September and beyond, so please feel free to contact us, you are welcome to come and visit us to look around or just for a chat about our setting. The preschool is now open from 8:30.

Do have a look at our Facebook page to look at some of the exciting things we have been up to. Please do come along and see us at the Easter Hunt on Sunday 14 April.

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Chestnut Horse Petanque

The new Petanque season is nearly upon us, our first match being a Cup game at Bardwell Dun Cow on 10 April and the League games starting the following Wednesday. As we start this season at the bottom of the Second Division of the Bury & District League you can see we need some help!

Would anyone interested in joining our friendly team and able to commit to most Wednesday evenings between early April and late September like to give me a call on the number below. We welcome experienced players and beginners alike - enthusiasm is the main requirement. Matches start at 7.30pm and run around two hours as a rule with nibbles provided at the end. There are six games in League matches so you are guaranteed a game or more of pairs or trebles. For away games we normally gather at the Chestnut Horse to sort out who's driving before departure.

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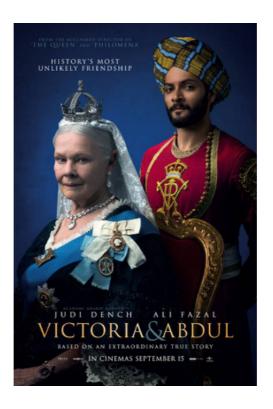
Coffee Morning

The next Community Coffee Morning is on **Tuesday 9 April** from 10.00 – 12.00 at Chestnut Horse pub.

£2.00 coffee/tea free refill and homemade cake, everyone welcome. Come along and meet your friends or maybe make some new ones. We have a raffle. Charity this month is Marie Curie and St Andrew's Church.

Irene Bugg

FINBOROUGH FILM NIGHT



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The Hearing Care Centre which is a family-run business with 26 centres across East Anglia, will hold two special Hearing Care Days at Stowhealth, Stowmarket on Thursday 25 and Friday 26 April. On offer at the events will be complimentary hearing assessments and professional advice from The Hearing Care Centre's award winning team on the best course of action to be able to hear to your full potential.

Karen Finch, founder and lead audiologist at The Hearing Care Centre said "Hearing loss is a real issue in the UK. More often than not it's a gradual process, it's not always easy to tell if you're losing your hearing. Therefore, it is so important to have your hearing assessed on a regular basis to intervene at the earliest stage possible."

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Melanie Ashton



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W.B.M. Premium	20kg	£12.00	
W.B.M No Wheat	20kg	£14-50	
W.B.M NEW High Energy	12.75 kg	£12-50	
W.B.M. No Mess	12.75 kg	£13.00	
W.B.M Robin & Songbird	12.75 kg	£13-00	
Finch Mix	20 kg	£12.00	
Mixed Corn	20 kg	£8-50	
SUPER Poultry Mix	20kg	£9-50	
Peanuts (superior	25 kg	£33-00	
quality)			
Peanuts (half sack)	12.5 kg approx	£17-50	
Black Sunflower Seed	12.55 kg	£10-50	
Sunflower Kernels	20 kg	£22-00	
Sunflower Kernels	10kg approx.	£12-00	
Nyjer Seed	20kg	£26-00	
Nyjer Seed	10kg approx.	£13-50	
Suet Pellets	12.75kgs	£17-00	
Fat Balls (any quantity)	Price each	10p	
Suet Balls (Superior)	Price each	13p	
		Total	_

Orders not collected on the day will require customer to make special arrangements to collect. The next seed order will be June. Thank you, **Peter Turner** (674407) p.turner125@btinternet.com

CHURCH SERVICES FOR APRIL 2019

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7 April: Fit 9.00 am 9.30 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist Matins Holy Communion (by extension) Holy Communion Worship & Messy Church	Little Finborough Buxhall Shelland Great Finborough Onehouse Combs	
14 April: P	Palm Sunday		
9.30 am 9.30 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 11.00 am 2.00 pm 6.30 pm	Holy Communion (by extension) Holy Communion Morning Worship and Baptism Holy Communion Morning Worship Palm Sunday Procession and Service Evensong	Harleston Shelland Buxhall Combs Onehouse Little Finborough Great Finborough	
18 April: N	1aundy Thursday		
8.00 pm	Holy Communion	Buxhall	
19 April: 6 10.00 am 11.00 am 11.00 am 2.00 pm	Messy Church, Trinity Hall Walk of Witness Messy Church Last Hour	Onehouse Onehouse Combs Harleston	
20 April: H	loly Saturday		
6.00 pm	Family Service of Light	Great Finborough	
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28 April: L 9.30 am	.ow Sunday, the First Sunday after I Holy Communion	Easter Buxhall	
J.30 am	riory communion	Duxilali	

3.30 am	riory Communion	Haricston
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Combs
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Onehouse
11.00 am	Morning Worship	Great Finborough
6.00 pm	Evensong	Little Finborough

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Holy Communion

We meet for: Midday Prayer 12.00 noon on Tuesday at St Mary's Buxhall

Holy Communion 9.30 am on Wednesday at Trinity Hall Onehouse **Evensong Prayer** 4.30 pm on Thursdays at St Andrew's Great Finborough

Morning Prayer 10.00 am on Saturdays at St. Mary's Combs (Lady Chapel)

Great Finborough Mobile Library Service 2019 Oak Close 4.10pm to 4.30pm Fridays as follows:

Apr 12, May 10, Jun 7, Jul 5, Aug 2, Aug 30, Sep 27, Oct 25, Nov 22 and Dec 20.



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