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YOUR LOCAL MAGAZINE FOR NEWS AND VIEWS

Editor: Lorraine Brooks

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The Editor and the Community Council would like to take this opportunity of wishing you all a

Very Merry Christmas and a

Happy & Prosperous New Year



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NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting: 8th October 2008

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

District councillor Richard Cave reported on news from DEFRA regarding consultations on the implementation of the Batteries Directive, for the disposal/recycling of batteries. The most practical and cost effective way of collecting batteries to meet the targets under the Directive are being considered and it is hoped news will be published in early 2009.

The consultation period for the local government review is now over. The Boundary Committee will put their recommendations to the Secretary of State by end of the year.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Following their visit to the open house event to celebrate completion of the four new affordable homes at Harpers Estate, Councillors were generally impressed with the housing project. All houses have occupants with local connections. It was agreed the project had been a learning experience, with regard practical issues and working in partnership with Flagship, which will be of benefit should another affordable housing project go head.

The possibility of the Wiston Road project of rented accommodation was still being considered and Councillors agreed on a working party to liaise with Flagship.

VILLAGE HALL

Rosemary Knox said the replacement aluminium door had been ordered.

Andrew Gowen, Treasurer of the Village Hall Management Committee, expressed his committee's concerns for the long-term financial future of the hall. He thanked councillors for inviting him to discuss the Parish Council's financial contribution to this great village asset.

He said the passionately committed, hard working committee had improved general finances to help cover current maintenance projects and improve facilities. In addition they have been very busy organising fund-raising projects, events and the setting up of an Endowment Fund to ensure the future of the hall. Many village societies have contributed donations to the fund.

The Parish Council are holding some funds which they have allocated to the Village Hall, from which the cost of the replacement door will be deducted. The VHMC hope the Parish Council will consider depositing this in the endowment fund

Mr Gowen explained that this fund is entirely separate from the VHMC funds and has been set up with its own resolution and bank account to which access can only be with the agreement of the Parish Council, the Community Council and the VHMC. He hoped he could answer any queries councillor's may have and in turn hoped they would be able offer positive suggestions to any issues they felt needed addressing to reach an outcome which would benefit the future of the hall.

Mr Battye said he appreciated the commitment of the VHMC and agreed with the idea for long-term investment.

Several councillors had concerns regarding the legal issues and clarity of procedure. It was also suggested that a separate trust fund may be more appropriate. As custodians of the public purse councillors felt it was necessary to be cautious.

It was agreed to discuss the next step at the November meeting.

FIRST RESPONSE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Councillors heard that the First Response group needs more volunteers.

Andrew Gowen explained the valuable role of the First Responders and the satisfaction gained from being a volunteer. Initially the group was established to cover Nayland but some requests are now received for Leavenheath or Stoke by Nayland. Volunteers are given training and can slot into the on-call rota at times they are available.

STREET LIGHTING

Debbie Hattrell updated councillors on progress with repairs to street lighting. It was pointed out unit 47 in Bear Street has been working intermittently, and a unit in Wiston Road although repaired was again not working.

After some discussion on budgeting for this work it was agreed to go head with the repairs to unit 65 in Church Lane/ Newlands Lane and unit 68 in Fen Street. Further enquiries would be made regarding a light by the school in Bear Street which was being obstructed by a tree.

CRIME

The Police advised councillors of two incidents of theft from Bear Street in September. There was a road rage incident on the A134 and theft of a dog from Gravel Hill.

HIGHWAYS

Correspondence from Highways Department stated they will be inspecting the resurfacing in Court Street and will confirm their findings. They did not feel there was any problem at this time with the drop from the new surface to the verge or the passing place in Gravel Hill.

Replying to the council's enquiry regarding uneven flagstones off Bear Street, between Constable House and the School, Highways said this was not their responsibility. This is being followed up with the Education Department.

Councillors agreed a request for reinstatement of the black and white safety bollards on Horkesley Hill should be sent to Essex County Council. Ray Spencer pointed out the sign on the A134 directing Ipswich bound traffic from Colchester past Nayland had been erected.

FEN STREET

Councillors discussed the maintenance of fishing places in Fen Street which had become overgrown and expressed concern of possible damage to the retaining wall by overgrown plants. It was agreed to write to all householders reminding them of the special licence agreement.

PLANNING

Mr Battye drew councillor's attention to changes in planning legislation, details are shown on www.planningportal.gov.uk.

Reviewing planning applications he said there were no objections to tree work to the south of the river Stour, or to erection of a summer house at 5 Fen Street. They had no objections to a rear extension at 50 Bear Street but felt due to the proximity in relation to Mill Stream the Environment Agency should be informed.

Objections were raised to an application for 2 Willow Grove on the grounds of the overbearing nature of the extension and the detrimental affect on neighbours. Despite councillors views that some improvement had been made to plans for a conservatory and loft conversion at 13 Harpers Estate they maintained this was over development and would affect amenities of neighbours. Councillors objected to a further application for provision of 10 car parking spaces at Harpers Hill Farm and felt more supporting information was required.

Councillors agreed to examine the latest plans relating to stationing 15 caravans at Rushbanks Farm and submit their views between meetings.

BURIAL GROUND

Repair of the pot-holes in the driveway is being looked into. Vehicle damage to the flint wall would be reported to Babergh.

OPEN SPACES

Chris Hunt expressed concern over the use of metal detectors on the Fen.

The area around the horse watering has been treated with weed-killer and planting will soon take place.

ALLOTMENTS

A vacancy has arisen and the person top of the waiting list has been informed.

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting: 12th November 2008

VILLAGE HALL

Councillors decided at their November meeting to inform the village hall management committee they felt it was worth pursuing the idea of a trust fund to cater for the hall's long-term future and would support any feasiblity study. Hall treasurer Andrew Gowen asked the council last month to deposit money it puts aside for the hall in a special endowment fund set up by the committee. Money can only be withdrawn from the fund with the consent of the committee, the parish council and community council.

Mary George said the term endowment fund was inaccurate and a legally drawn-up trust fund was needed. Vice-chairman Patricia Fuller disagreed with the community council being a signatory but it was pointed out the original community council was instrumental in getting the hall built and was still contributing to it. It was agreed to defer the matter until Mr Gowen had clarified the legal position of the endowment fund.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Reporting on a meeting held to discuss the possible new site for affordable housing in Wiston Road Mrs Fuller said it was very constructive but planners needed to be present before any further progress could be made. It was agreed parish clerk Debbie Hattrell should contact Flagship Housing with the points made by councillors who attended and ask for the parish council's name to go on minutes of future meetings so it was a joint working party.

VILLAGE HALL LICENSEE

Rosemary Knox said a volunteer was urgently needed to act as a second designated licensee for village hall events. The current deputy licensee had left the village and it was vital someone else came forward or hall events could suffer.

PLANNING

Reviewing recent planning applications Mr Battye said planning permission and listed building consent had been granted for a rear extension at 50 Bear Street. A plan for a rear conservatory and dormer extension at 13 Harpers Estate was refused. The council objected to a single-storey extension at the rear of 58 Bear Street. It also opposed an application to increase the number of caravans at the Rushbanks Farm site from 10 to 16

and change the seasonal opening hours. Members said the scale was too big and it would have a deterrent effect on the peace and wildlife of the area. They also felt increased traffic would cause further noise and disturbance to neighbours.

LOCALITY BUDGET

Chairman Gerry Battye said the council had been allocated £1,424 from Suffolk County Council's locality budget. Babergh Council had secured government money for recreational purposes and had decided to allocate it to parishes. Nayland would receive £1,906 which could be used for new play equipment, enhancing existing equipment, seating facilities or other purposes.

FIREFIGHTER RETIREMENT

Mr Battye reported the council had written to Nayland fire brigade's former sub-officer Terry Atkins following his retirement. He said the letter thanked Mr Atkins on behalf of all members of the public for the dedicated way he had carried out his duties over many years often in difficult times and in horrific situations. The council realised he had combined his fire service duties with running a business and appreciation had also been expressed to Mr Atkins's wife Susan.

BEAR STREET PARKING

The council decided to ask Karen Smith, senior engineer with Suffolk County Council, to a site meeting to look at parking problems at the school and doctors' surgery and consider two requests by residents in Bear Street and Court Street for white lines on the road outside their homes.

RECREATION GROUND

Mrs Hattrell reported the quote for repairs to playground equipment had been authorised and Ray Spencer suggested the council might consider using the £1,906 from Babergh for enclosing the recreation ground play equipment with a low fence.

IN BRIEF:

Mrs Hattrell said forms had gone off for the official diversion of Wiston Mill footpath and the Rambers' Association had been informed

A letter was received from Babergh's emergency planning officer suggesting villages should draw up contingency plans in the event of an emergency.

Tibby Mimpress requested a litter pick for Wiston.

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Christmas Day and Boxing Day fall on Thursday and Friday this year, and New Years Day is on the following Thursday. Last Post
for Xmas Delivery:
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An example of the calendar style being considered

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VILLAGE CALENDAR 2010

For the first village calendar it is proposed to have pictures illustrating Nayland and Wiston past and present. Suggested pictures to include Street Scenes, the River, Horkesley Lock, the Weir, Anchor Bridge, Churches, Mills, the School and a Social Event. For example a picture of the church could be accompanied by a picture of the unveiling of the War Memorial which would be very suitable for the month of November. The village school has been such a focal point of interest, particularly this year, with the opening of Woodland Comer, is a must for inclusion.

A committee has been formed and will meet shortly and it is anticipated that pictures submitted will be judged and on view in the Church Hall on Monday 4th May 2009.

We are grateful to some sponsors who have already shown an interest.

Look out for further details in the February edition of the Community Times regarding details of entry and where to deposit. It is proposed to have the calendar for 2010 ready for sale by August next year.

Hazel Gardiner Secretary, Community Council

BONFIRE NIGHT

This year the Bonfire Night was a great success with the largest number attending and everyone enjoying the evening. This would not be possible without the

dedicated support of so many people. I wish to express the thanks of all the village to all those who made this such a success.

Ken Willingale

President, Community Council



METAL DETECTORS

Reports have been received of people using metal detectors around the village. Please note that under the Treasure Act of 1996, permission must be granted from the landowner before metal detectors are used. However, on land designated for "Open Access" such as the Fenn, the Countryside and Rights of Way Act does not permit metal detectors to be used. So, if you use a metal detector, please take every care to obtain the necessary permission and act within the law. The Parish Council would appreciate your cooperation with this matter.

Debbie Hattrell,

Clerk to Nayland with Wissington Parish Council

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERV-



Villagers of all ages gathered at St James' Church, Nayland, for the Remembrance Day service.

Royal British Legion standards paraded into the church by Kathy Hunt and Jim Turner were followed by those of Nayland Scouts, Cubs and Brownies with wreath layers and members of the legion's Nayland branch.

The service was conducted by the Rev Kit Gray, assisted by lay elder and legion chairman Bill Martin, who read the roll of honour.

The Rev Brian Watling in his address recalled several military anniversaries being marked this year and the millions killed or wounded in the two world wars, other conflicts since and the two wars being fought in Iraq and Afghanistan. He said the world was now facing a new more deadly threat, unseen terrorists and islamic iihadists.

Mr Watling, a retired judge, also deplored the current "moral malaise" brought about by the worship of money saying: "We must pray for a return to Christian standards in public and private which up to 30 years ago underpinned our way of life."

After the service the congregation moved to the village war memorial where wreaths were laid by Andora Carver and Steve Maguire for the legion, parish council chairman Gerry Battye, Robert Dossor of Nayland fire brigade, Richard Turner of Boxted Airfield Historical Society and members of the lst Nayland Guides and Brownies, Charlotte Gratton and Beatrice Crossley.

Earlier Miss Gray had conducted a service at St Mary's, Wiston, where wreaths were laid by Ken Bailey and Jeremy Cohen for the legion and Mr Battye.

Bugler Bill Slark sounded Last Post and Reveille at the end of both services.

The church collection for the Poppy Appeal totalled £363 and a legion coffee morning the previous day raised £230.

About twenty villagers stood in silence at Nayland's war memorial at 11am on November 11 to mark the 90th anniversary of the end of World War I. Royal British Legion chairman Bill Martin gave the exhortation and prayers were led by the Rev Kit Gray.

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Community Council

COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT

Meeting: 10th November 2008 Chairman: Alan Hodges 263982

BONFIRE NIGHT

Members agreed this had been a hugely successful evening with a larger than ever crowd. They sold out sausages, beefburgers, mulled wine, etc. The Treasurer reported a profit of £810.97. It was suggested a rethink would be necessary before next year on the best serving methods, having an additional barbecue and separate stall for sparklers. Claire Prescott suggested that extra fireworks in the form of a Grand Finale box would be good.

Brian Smith said he had been stoking up the bonfire daily and only a small pile of ash remained. However, bricks and glass has been thrown on the heap. Some glass was very close to the goal, which David George and Andrew Gowen volunteered to clear.

COMMUNITY TIMES: Ken Willingale agreed to act as co-ordinator for the February issue.

Lorraine Brooks reported that the level of advertising did not seem to be dropping and thought the threat from other magazines was not currently a threat as it was Nayland news people wanted to read and local information they kept to hand. It was pointed out that continued loyalty from Societies was extremely important.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bryan Smith Treasurer told the meeting that the Council's unencumbered assets currently stood at £12,511.76p.

The deposit held for Nayland First Response stands at £2080.91 resulting from a coffee morning, donations and a collection from Stuart Pickup's funeral service.

CORRESPONDENCE: On hearing a letter from Joan Moore tendering her resignation on health grounds it was agreed she would be very much missed and to send her a letter of thanks for her dedication and hard work.

VILLAGE CALENDAR FOR 2010: Hazel Gardiner outlined progress. It had been established that the cost would be approximately £560 for 300 copies and Geoff Meadowcroft had confirmed his involvement in the judging the photographic competition. It was envisaged each month would display a photograph chosen in the competition, a historic photograph and accompanying copy. It was hoped to attract sponsors who would also be shown in the calendar.

Wendy Sparrow, who had already offered valuable advice, and a small committee will be meeting on 2nd December.

WOODLAND CORNER: Teresa Moriarty reported that the Open Day on 20th September had been a real success. The outside area still had to be dealt with and it had been decided to let the children decide for themselves what they wanted. Fund raising continued with good success for the sponsored cycle ride on 1 st November. The Salon Morning recorded a slightly lower profit but would be repeated because it was so enjoyed.

On the 5th December a Wine Tasting evening with Lay and Wheeler was planned.

The Breakfast Club was going well with the children loving it and Trish Hall told the meeting that Playgroup would be very full next term.

GRANT APPLICATIONS: The Village Hall Management Committee had requested a grant of £1,000 to be placed in the Endowment Fund which provided for the long term development of the Hall. After some discussion the grant was agreed.

REPORTS FROM VILLAGE SOCIETIES

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION: British Legion had celebrated Remembrance Day with a service in the church, which was well supported and welcomed the attendance of the Fire Service. Two minutes silence would be observed at the War Memorial on Armistice Day, Tuesday 11 November.

Membership of the Legion had recently been affected by deaths and by two ladies moving into a residential home. A speaker formerly serving with the RAF in Cyprus had given a talk at the AGM. There had been one new member.

Preparations were in hand for the annual Christmas get-together.

CONSERVATION SOCIETY: Jill Badman Gill reminded the meeting of the Joint Meeting when the subject of the talk would be butterflies and confirmed that the Society would have a stall at the bazaar.

CHOIR: Teresa Moriarty said the Christmas Concert would be performed in St. James' Church at 7.30pm on 6th December. The Choir would sing Charpentier's Messe de Minuit and the evening would include a performance by the Primary School Choir.

VILLAGE PLAYERS: Jenny Smith reported that so many children were involved in this years pantomime that it had been necessary to form a costume team with a fantastic result.

HORTSOC: On behalf of Sylvia Bond Lorraine Brooks reported that Andrew Tokely had proved an informative and humourous speaker on growing and showing vegetables. The Society would have the usual stall at the Christmas Bazaar. Donations of seasonal items for sale would be welcome and should be taken to the Village Hall on the morning of the bazaar or given to Anne Spencer at 60 Bear Street.

WI: Mary Bull said there would be an evening of country dancing in the Village Hall on Monday 15 December, mulled wine would be available and an invitation was extended to all ladies

BOWLS CLUB: On behalf of Sylvia Bond Lorraine Brooks reported that currently the Bowls Club was positioned in the middle of the league.

NAYLAND FUND RAISING COMMITTEE: Gill Badman informed the meeting of their a Chrlstmas Fayre and Flower Arranging event on 12 November.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR - On 6th December <u>from 10-30am-1pm.</u> To date there had been seven applications for tables. Trish Hall appealed for more volunteers - names to Trish, please. Father Christmas and his Elfin will be in the grotto. A request was made for Raffle Prizes

CHRISTMAS TREE: The tree would be erected on Sunday 14th December at 9am (volunteers welcome) and taken down on 4th January 2009. Bollards were required to be in position for Carol Singing with the Boxted Silver Band on Wednesday 17th December.

TRANSITION MOVEMENT: William Hitchcock spoke about the transition movement and referred to Lavenham, which had become a transition village following the example of Lewis, Bristol, Totness and Nottingham. The transition movement was based round sustainability and he sited Woodland Comer as a sustainability initiative. The meeting considered that Jules Pretty, at present on annual sabbatical, would be an ideal speaker on this topic and the possibility of forming a new society to promote this important subject.

BABERGH COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS: It was agreed to nominate a person for a Community Award under Category II.

JOHN CONSTABLE ANNIVERSARY: Chris Hunt said that 2009 would see the two-hundredth anniversary of John Constable, artist and the PCC were considering ways of celebrating this event.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 12th January 2008 in the Church Hall at 8pm preceded by the Exec Meeting at 7.30pm. The AGM will be held on 9th March 2009.





SATURDAY 6th DECEMBER





at the earlier time of

10.30 until 1pm VILLAGE HALL





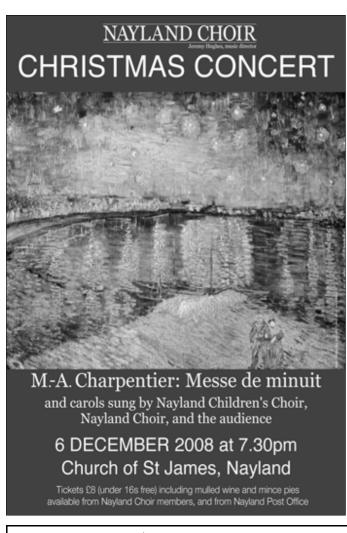
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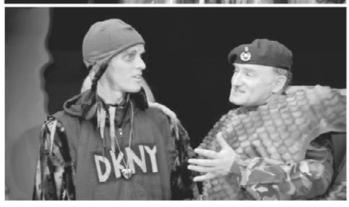
The Village Players voyage under the sea in their latest production, 'Beauty and the Deep'. Christine Hawley and Stephen Ferrari wrote the script in the pantomime tradition and conjured up a magical underwater world on the Nayland stage!

The scene on The Rainbow Reef tells the tale of a young mermaid and merboy (Marley and Marvin) who are growing up amongst a vast array of wonderful sea creatures led by the comedic Mungo Jelly and Miss Octopussy (the 8 legged dame). It is soon clear that all is not well with the colony who live under the threat of pollution emanating from the dark and foreboding 'Deep'. One day Marvin and Marley venture into the unknown and find themselves in the clutches of the evil Mad Max Manta and his band of scary stingers and the effects of this meeting will change their lives forever.

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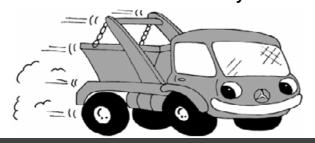




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ST JAMES' CHURCHYARD AUTUMN WORKING PARTY



On 25th October volunteers had a very successful and enjoyable morning putting the churchyard to bed for the winter. Cakes supplied by Kit!

A huge thank you to everyone who came and helped. It was lovely weather and we achieved everything which was planned. The next one will be in March.

James Carver

THE FRIENDS IF ST JAMES'



JAMBOREE

The annual JAMboree organised by the Friends of St James's Church at Carver's Barn raised a record £900.92 for church funds. Dozens of jars of marmalade, jams, fruit jellies and chutneys were snapped up by eager buyers.

Friends' chairman Alan Edwards wished to give a special thank you to Bethan and John Jervois and their helpers, to James and Andora Carver for the loan of their Barn, and everyone who contributed to the selection of produce on sale.



Drizzling rain meant fewer riders than expected took part in a fundraising cycle ride at Nayland on November 1 but about 25 finished the 10-mile route around Nayland, Stoke by Nayland and Leavenheath.

The sponsored event was to raise funds for Nayland's purpose-built childcare facility, Woodland Corner, and 15 more cyclists completed the course the following day and during the week.

Jeremy Hughes, one of the organisers, said: "It was a bit wet but the event went very well and everyone enjoyed themselves. We didn't have as many riders as expected but still hope to raise several thousand pounds in sponsorship."

The proceeds will be used to complete the landscaping in front of the new building in the grounds of Nayland Primary School and buy more equipment.

Woodland Corner provides morning and afternoon playgroup sessions as well as a lunch club and extended services before and after school for older children.

MENCAP COFFEE MORNING & CHRISTMAS CARD SALE

The annual Coffee Morning and sale of Christmas cards, calenders and gifts held in October raised £266.76p for Mencap.

The organisers wish to thank all those who supported the event, despite the weather, and made it a success.



FAIRTRADE COFFEE MORNING

The Nayland Fairtrade Coffee Morning and sale held in October raised a total of £801 from orders, direct sales and donations.

Thank you so much to everyone involved in making the event such a success.

Rita Dibble, Pauline Horrell



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - THE SHOEBOX APPEAL

A big thank you to all of you who filled a shoebox for this appeal. As you know this is the fourth year the campaign has run through our churches, school and our village as a whole and we have made it the most successful year to date. We collected 124 boxes which is a record.

Thank you so very much, keep spreading the word about the campaign and hope to be back again next year about the same time.

Michelle Goodall Tel: 01206 272263





Nayland with Wissington Society News



ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Secretary: Andrew Gowen 262534

At our AGM, Bill Martin was re-elected Chairman, Andrew Gowen Secretary and Richard Cave as Treasurer. David George continues as Chairman of the Service Committee, James Carver as Poppy Appeal organiser. John Wilson-Smith retired as Subscription Secretary to be replaced by Steve Maguire and that was the only change to the Officers of the Branch from last year.

We decided unanimously not to transfer our funds to the Central Office as a matter of principle. We are against the centralisation of control and the increasing numbers of paid staff and increased bureaucracy of the Royal British Legion. We are not sure how long we can hold out.

Our meeting was preceded by an illustrated talk by Mike Ward from the Sudbury branch of his experiences as a RAF communicator in Cyprus in the 1950s.

The Poppy Appeal Coffee Morning was well supported by the Village and made £230. We are most grateful to all those members and others who helped by contributing cakes, books and raffle prizes; it was a very good effort and we are very grateful.

The Remembrance Day Service was memorable and very well supported by young and old alike. We welcomed for the first time representatives from our local fire service who laid a wreath and we hope they will continue to do this in future years. As ex- service men and women we are very grateful for the increasing support the cause of service personnel is getting from the Village. There is little doubt that the going is tough in Afghanistan and casualties are increasing to major war proportions. We raised £363 from the collection for the Poppy Appeal. We also commemorated Armistice Day on Tuesday 11th November at 11am with a 2 minutes silence at the war memorial.

We need our members support for the Christmas Bazaar at the Village from 10.30 am to 1pm on Saturday 6 December. We need prizes for the Tombola and second hand books which need to be at the Hall well before the start.

Please note in your diaries 7.30 pm at the Church Hall on 15 December the Joint Christmas Party with the Women's Section. Please bring a plate of food each to be shared amongst us all. Wine and liquid refreshments will be provided. Standby for a 'rip roaring' evening and I hope you all are in good voice – Ken has already started planning it!



POPPY APPEAL

Poppy Appeal Organiser: James Carver 262970

This year's Poppy Appeal raised the sum of £2,442.99 which was an excellent result. Many thanks are due to all those Poppy collectors who braved the weather and to those businesses who had static boxes.

The support for the Poppy Appeal in Nayland is very heartening and, although the total is slightly down on last year's record, this is a very satisfactory result. With grateful thanks to all involved.



NAYLAND OVER 60S LUNCHEON CLUB

A Monthly Lunch for Senior Citizens ~ Church Hall ~ 12.00 noon for 12.30pm ~ £3

On 18th December at 12 noon the Christmas Party will be held at Little Bulmer Farm. Monthly luncheons will begin again in the New Year on 27th January and 24th February in the Church Hall.

If you wish to come along and meet all your friends for a chat please put your name on the list at the next meeting if you wish to join, or telephone Olga Alexander on 01206 263923.



HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Mrs Sylvia Bond 262529

Andrew Tokely, of Thompson and Morgan, very kindly came along on 31st October to entertain Hortsoc members with a very amusing illustrated talk on 'Vegetable Growing'. As a keen gardener himself and with much experience of showing vegetables he revealed several 'tricks of the trade' for ensuring produce is at its best for the show bench. He also had many useful tips for those who purely have the ambition of providing food for the table. Many of those who had no previous inclination to grow vegetables left commenting how inspired they felt to

have a go, perhaps turning a patch of garden into a growing area or growing something edible in a container.

This year the Conservation Society hosted the Joint meeting when, on 11th November, Rob Parker enlightened the audience on 'Butterflies Around Nayland'.

We will as usual be having a stall at the Christmas Bazaar on 6th December, which is being held at the new time of 10.30 to 1pm. Donations of seasonal items fto sell on the stall would be very welcome and should be taken to the Village Hall on the morning of the bazaar or given to Anne Spencer at 60 Bear Street.

Hortsoc will then enter its dormant period for the winter so take this opportunity to wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

NAYLAND AND DISTRICT WOMENS INSTITUTE

Secretary: Jeanette Finch 262993

Our speaker on 20th October was Sandy Burnett, who had worked for years on "Mercy Ships". These ships hold a crew of 400 and volunteers pay to work on them. They work 7-8 months at a time in Africa. Aboard are doctors, surgeons, nurses, dentists and the hospital section takes up

the whole of the lower deck.

There are long queues of Africans needing treatment for cataracts, birth defects, broken bones, infections and other health problems. We were all interested to hear about this superb service. The speaker was thanked by Mary Hussey.

On 21st October Pauline Dossor kindly organised a coach trip to Blue Water and members enjoyed a really good day.

Nayland members attended Stour Valley Group Meetings, hosted by Boxford W.I. on 22nd October. We were welcomed by the president, Iris Robinson. The speaker was photographer, David Boulton, on "Images of Nature". The pictures on screen were quite perfect and with the commentary, music and sounds of nature, it was a wonderful show. This was followed by refreshments, which were very good indeed, and many thanks to Boxford W.I.

In 17th November we had reports from the secretary, Jeanette Finch. The president, Lorna Rumsey, talked about future events and she agreed to carry on as president next year, which pleased us all. Shirley Williams then spoke on behalf of the treasurer, Pam Baker, who had supplied us all with a copy of the Financial Statement for the year.

We then had a break for lovely refreshments and this was followed by a Beetle Drive, causing much amusement and won by Shirley Williams and partners. The raffle was won by Pat Bradford.

Our next meeting is on 15th December – "Country Dancing" with Mr Ron Coxall.

New members are welcome.

Mona Gaunt

BOWLS CLUB

Mrs Sylvia Bond 262529

At the recent AGM there were a few changes. Sylvia Bond did not wish to stand for Chairman again as she thought someone else should have a go. As it happened no-one came forward for the job so the retiring Club Captain, Mervyn Farthing accepted the position. No-one came forward for the Captains job either, so acting Captain, Eva Rolfe agreed to carry on as Captain and Secretary. There were no other changes.

In the Winter League we are middle of division one, we have had some good results, like an 8-2 win away at Chelmondiston, followed by a disaster at Great Blakenham, where we failed to score a point.

Both of our pairs who entered the Suffolk Pairs won their group, then unfortunately they both lost their first knock-out round, although one game was very close, 6 all after 6 ends then they lost the last end. Fixtures December: 3rd Tuddenham – home.

Fixtures January: 8th Hintlesham – away, 13th Claydon – away, 28th Bramford – away.



NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Hon. Secretary: Andora Carver 262970 Chairman: Mr J Alexander 262676

Butterflies in and around Nayland was the subject of a fascinating and instructive talk by Rob Parker, Chairman of the Suffolk Branch of Butterfly Conservation at our joint meeting with the Horticultural Society. He took us through the life cycle of the tortoiseshell and the butterfly year from the first hatch of Orange Tips to the over-wintering Red Admirals which can come out on sunny days in November and feed on ivy.

It is remarkable how many butterflies can be attracted to gardens of any shape or size if the right food plants for caterpillars are there. However the best way to attract them is to "keep the mower locked up in the garden shed". Ploughing, mowing, rolling and fertilisers are all contributing to the decline of 24 of our 40 native species.

Climate change cannot be blamed for everything! Ideally gardens should not be too tidy, leaving habitats for over-wintering insects, amphibians and small mammals.

Adrian Walters, the Ranger led a dozen or so members on a guided walk round the Sudbury Common Lands following his most interesting talk at our last Open Meeting.

It is a unique and fascinating area of ancient meadow intersected by man-

made ditches which support many different habitats.

The Society will be selling books, postcards and tea towels as usual on our stall at the Community Council Fair on December 6th.

A varied programme of interesting speakers is lined up for next year. Further details in the next issue of the Community Times.



Rob Parker fascinating the audience on 'Butterflies Around Nayland'



Adrian Walters showing us round the Sudbury Common Lands



OVER 60s CLUB

Secretary: Daphne Berry Tel: 262641

On 13th November twenty four members and friends enjoyed a trip to Mill Race Garden Centre at Aldham, organised by our President Eva Rolfe. This included lunch and some Christmas shopping.

Our Christmas Party will be held on Thursday 11th December at 3pm and there is no meeting in January so February 12th will be the first meeting of the New Year.



NAYLAND ART GROUP

Daphne Berry 262641

We started the term with two new members and with our fortnightly tutor Keith Whitelock have been trying out new mediums, such as, charcoal, pastels and acrylics, and coming up to Christmas designing our own cards. Term finishes on 10th December and restarts on 7th January 2009.



VILLAGE PLAYERS

Chair: Deborah Hodges 263982 Sec: John McCarroll, 01473 822251

Beauty and the Deep was a real community project, involving more than 80 people of all ages, interests and levels of experience. It was a wonderful achievement by Christine Hawley and Stephen Ferrari: a thoroughly enjoyable show (have a look a the photos on page 11): lots of adorable little ones guaranteeing the 'ahhh' factor'; plenty of new young talent; fabulous music, guaranteed to leave everyone misty-eyed; stunning costumes from the amazing team constituted especially for this show; the usual super performances from our perennial stalwarts; and we mustn't forget the atmospheric set which transported the audience under the sea! Chris and Stephen deserve many congratulations on their project, which was developed and nurtured for a very long time, and has been brought to fruition with a huge amount of hard work. Thanks to them and their very important support team, it has been great fun for all of us involved and hopefully for **you** our audience!

Now we have finished Beauty and the Deep, we are thinking about our spring production. Nick Moriarty will soon be holding auditions for Party Piece by Richard Harris (who also wrote 'Outside Edge'). It is a comedy for 7 adults: 4 female and 3 male, set in suburban south west London in the 1980s. Audition dates are Sunday 7th December at 5pm and 8pm on Wednesday 10th, in the Church Hall. Performance dates are 26th-28th March. Please talk to Nick (262808) if you want more information or to read a script.



THE FRIENDS OF ST. MARY'S CHURCH, WISTON

Secretary: Val Hopkins 01206 263580 e-mail: valjhopkins@aol.com Chairman: Bill Starling 01206 262397 e-mail: billstarling@hotmail.com

AGM FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2008

At the AGM the following committee members were elected:

Bill Starling - Chairman : Val Hopkins - Secretary

Jennie Boyden: Jenny Rix: Caroline Ross-Stewart: Iain Wright

Gerald Knox - PCC Representative and Treasurer

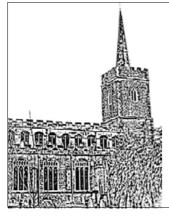
St. Mary's Church PCC expressed its appreciation for the funds raised that had enabled the recent major interior redecoration work and lighting to be undertaken. The cost was in excess of £45,000.

Fundraising events orchestrated by The Friend's of St. Mary's, Wiston include:

- Musical and choral concerts
- Annual produce stall at St. James's Church fete and stall at the Street Fayre
- · Concert by classical guitarist, John Williams, and John Etheridge
- Quiz with supper evenings
- Antiques Road Show
- Annual sale of pumpkins grown by George Storey
- Wiston Wimbledon held for nine consecutive years

The Friends of St. Mary's was formed in April 1997 and the amount raised to date is approximately £89,000.

The annual Quiz Night will be held on Friday 27th February 2009. Further details will be available in the New Year.



THE FRIENDS OF ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NAYLAND

Registered Charity Number 1052641 Chairman: Alan Edwards 262800

We look forward to welcoming everybody for the Annual Candlelit Carol Service of Carols and Lessons on Sunday 21st December at 6.30pm in St James' Church.

A collection will be taken during the service for the Friends.

If you would like to know more about the Friends please pick up a leaflet in St James.

Nayland Youth Club

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Nayland Youth Club is in jeopardy as we <u>urgently need</u> some new committee members!

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It costs £2 per child, then 50p for additional children which includes drinks and a snack. First session is FREE!!! We look forward to seeing you. Venue - Nayland Village Hall - Time - Fridays 9:30 - 11:30am For further details, contact: Ali - 01787 211114 or 07733325668 Nina - 01206 262546 or 07767276294

NAYLAND FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Festive Fayre and Flowers

The Nayland Fundraising Committee would like to thank everyone who attended or supported Festive Fayre and Flowers in the Village Hall on 12th November. This cookery and flower arranging demonstration, which was given by Sherri Singleton and Jill Nicolls, was held in aid of Helping Hands, the Friends of Sudbury Resource Centre. The Centre supports a variety of services for adults with learning difficulties. The event, which was followed by lunch, was attended by almost 80 people and we are delighted to announce that £1,200 has been raised and will be presented to Helping Hands. Many thanks to everyone who cooked, washed-up, donated raffle prizes or helped in any way to make this such an enjoyable and successful day. Our sincere thanks to Sherri and Jill for their most generous participation.

NSPCC Toy Service

Thank you to Revd Kit Gray and to all who attended or donated gifts for this service on 16th November in St James' Church. £127 was given in the collection as well as three large boxes of new toys, games and gifts. These have been donated to the NSPCC Child Protection Unit in Ipswich to support their essential work, especially at this time of the year.

Jill Badman

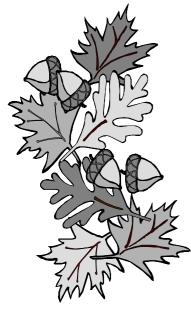


THE VILLAGE LUNCH

At the last village lunch on Wednesday 22nd October the speaker was Hugh Jenkins on 'A Millennium of English Gardening' which was enjoyed by 70 people and making a profit of £266.23p, which will go towards more equipment for the Village Hall. Many thanks to all who help make the village lunches a success.

The next lunch will be an illustrated talk by East Anglian Air Ambulance in April 2009 – date to be announced.

Jo Murrison



Garden Notes

by The Old Muckspreader

Horticulturally, this is the most extraordinary year. Here we have an Abutilon Vitifolium, which normally flowers in early summer, in full flower again. By the time this article comes out, a frost will probably have shrivelled it, but what about next year? Will it, and other shrubs which are flowering out of season be able to form new buds in time to perform again early next year?

One harvest this year which has been excellent is that of leaves. They are now moist, and if collected and stored up in a wire compound, or if pressed for space plastic sacks they will rot down in due course to make splendid leafmould. Almost all winter flowering plants are highly scented – a necessary attribute to ensure visits by pollinating insects.

This month's plant is the Sarcococca, until recently not easily come by, but now sold by garden centres, often under the name Christmas Box. A low growing evergreen there are two main species, S, Confusa and S. Digyma; the latter is probably the more attractive with its glossy dark green leaves, red stems and small white scented flowers followed by black berries.

The full-time score of the rabbit match was rather more satisfactory. Helped by some professional assistance the final call was nineteen, but not before some of the OM/S' small apple trees suffered severe damage to the bark of the main stems.

Something rather strange has occurred. The Horse Chestnuts, despite discoloration and premature leaf fall produced a reasonable crop of conkers, but almost all vanished as soon as they fell. The OM/S found several buried in places some distance away. This almost certainly indicates that the culprits are squirrels. Presumably they are looking for a food supply for winter, to replace their usual one of acorns, which were very scarce this year. Do they know something we don't, i.e. that we're in for a cold winter contrary to the views of most meteorologists and the global warming industry?

Latest callover: 6/4 the Experts, 10/1 the Squirrels, 100/8 Bar. The OM/S fancies a small bet.

Happy Christmas (perhaps a white one) to our readers.

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Jo Murrison

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THE HIDDEN HISTORY OF A MODERN HOUSE

Uncovering the history of your home can be a fascinating and absorbing pastime, rather like researching your family history. For anyone living in an old house it will be obvious that there will be a lot to find out about its previous occupants but, perhaps surprisingly, new houses can be just as interesting to research. The land upon which your twentieth century house was built almost certainly has an interesting past waiting to be discovered.

One example of this is 38 Bear Street. This house was built around 1970 and blends in well with its older neighbours. Anyone aware of its age might think it doesn't have a particularly interesting history but they would be mistaken. The owners are very fortunate in having a bundle of deeds relating to the property which date back to 1716. At that time there were two occupied cottages on the site bordering the millstream, owned by a Mrs Bragg. When she died her daughters, one married to a woolcomber in Colchester, another to a blacksmith in Scole and the third, a spinster, sold the cottages to

the Feoffees, Nayland's charity trustees. There were "2 fennages or rights of commonage [grazing rights] in the common meadows or fens of Nayland" attached to the cottages.

The cottages were still occupied when they were sold in the 1780s to a surgeon, William Fairclough, who lived at Stourbank just across the road [now Bear House]. Soon after this however, the cottages were demolished and a stable was erected in their place. After William Fairclough's death his widow sold the site in 1791 to Joseph Stammers, miller of Pentlow, Essex, and Jonathan Stammers, miller of Nayland, and ten years later ownership transferred to their brother, Thomas Stammers, also a miller in Nayland. The Stammers used the site as pasture but by 1823 when it was transferred to William, the son of Thomas Stammers, it was called The Horse Yard and had become a coal wharf with stables and other buildings erected on it.

The Stammers family were prosperous millers, owning mills all over Essex and Suffolk, including Nayland where they also owned a great deal of property and land. During the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries milling brought prosperity and employment to the village. As a result of the Stour Navigation Act in 1705 the river between Sudbury and Mistley was very busy with barge traffic. Downstream the barges carried wheat, flour, barley, malt and bricks to Mistley, which then went by sea to London; upstream coal, timber and chalk



The millstream in 1895 showing the coal wharf at 38 Bear Street on the right. Does anyone have any idea what the pole on the opposite bank could be? This photograph was taken long before electricity and telephones came to the village.

were transported to Sudbury. The 38 Bear Street site no doubt became a coal wharf during the Stammers' ownership, the barges stopping off there to unload their cargo.

In 1846 the site described as that "piece of land of about one rood with the coal shed and stable erected thereon" was sold by William Stammers to Jeremiah Stannard, the younger, who was the owner of the mill at Wissington. At the same time he also bought the Nayland mill. In the 1851 census Jeremiah Stannard was described as a miller and corn and coal merchant but in 1894 his business failed and he was forced to sell up.

Consequently, in August 1895 the Bear Street site was sold again, still described as a coal wharf and yard, to Thomas Moy Ltd, coal merchants based in Colchester. It was during their ownership that great changes came to Nayland; the barge traffic was already dwindling and eventually disappeared, and the milling ceased. The photograph dated 1895 was near the end of this era. Thomas Moy Ltd retained the site until 1922 when they sold it to Sidney-Wilmot Ltd, road haulage contractors, from West Bergholt. The site was used as a lorry depot until the 1960s and in 1964 the site was purchased by William Deaves & Sons Ltd, builders of Nayland The house we see today was then built.

There is obviously a lot more to know about the original cottages on this site and perhaps one day more will be revealed but the modern house now standing there, I'm sure you will agree, has a very interesting history.

Wendy Sparrow

A new book not to be missed!

In 1540, the son of a wealthy Nayland cloth maker was hanged, drawn and quartered on the orders of Henry VIII. The dramatic story of Thomas Abell, whose family badge appears on Anchor Bridge, is told in a new book, "The Queen's Champion", by John Lander.

Abell was chaplain to Henry's first wife, Katherine of Aragon, whom the King wanted to divorce in order to marry Anne Boleyn. The Queen's chaplain did not accept the King's claim that when he married Katherine, he had broken God's law and the marriage was invalid. On a secret mission to Spain, Abell sought to destroy the King's case for divorce and back in England he argued against the King both in print and from the pulpit – with the inevitable result. This was a time when the wrath of the King was death.

Thomas Abell's father John was a generous supporter of St James's Church and the porch on the south west side was erected in his memory. The family coat of arms appears in stained glass in one of the windows.

The Queen's Champion can be obtained from the author at 'Rutlands', Chitts Hill, Colchester, CO3 9SY, Price £7.15 including postage. It will also be on sale on the Conservation Society's stall at the Christmas Bazaar on the 6th December.

Nayland Over 60s

LUNCHEON CLUB

A Monthly Lunch for Senior Citizens ~ £3 ~ Church Hall 12 noon for 12.30pm

18 December: Chistmas Party 27 January & 24 February 2009

For more information telephone Olga Alexander on 01206 263923

Thank You

Graham and Annette White would like to thank everyone on Nayland and Wiston for all their good wishes for our move to Norfolk.

We will miss Nayland very much and have loved living here.

Annette & Graham



NAYLAND VILLAGE HALL

Chairman: Iain Wright 262657 Treasurer: Andrew Gowen 262534

The Village Hall Management Committee are so grateful to all the Societies for all the work they have done on the Village Hall garden.

We feel the gardens are so important for enhancing the Village Hall and ensuring we get plenty of bookings.

Naughty, but very very Nice!

Amaretti Cheesecake

This is a very well tested recipe which is always devoured very quickly. Its delicious mix of sweet and tart tastes and creamy and crunchy textures are guaranteed to win over even those who would not normally eat deserts!

It is quite simple to make - just requiring a little preparation and organisation of ingredients, then is put together very quickly. Quantities are for a 9" loose bottomed or spring-form tin.

For the biscuit base:

8oz Amaretti biscuit crumbs 2oz castor sugar 3½oz melted butter

- Break the biscuits into crumbs by placing them in a bag or cloth and breaking them with a rolling pin. Melt the butter.
- Mix the biscuit crumbs and sugar then add the butter and mix until evenly distributed.
- Line the bottom of your tin with the mixture then chill.

For the cheese mousse:

1 sachet gelatine powder

4 tbsp fruit juice (apple, grape, etc or water/liquer/mixture)

16oz full fat soft cheese such as Philadelphia 4oz castor sugar

2 large eggs, separated

½ pint double cream.

- Dissolve the gelatine in the juice in a bain marie, or heatproof container in a pan of gently simmering water. Remove from heat a few minutes before using.
- Whisk the egg whites until stiff. Put aside.
- Whip the cream. Put aside.
- Beat the cream cheese and sugar until smooth, then beat in the egg yolks.
- Mix in the dissolved gelatine, then the whipped cream.
- Gently fold in the whisked egg whites.
- Gently spread the mixture on top of the biscuit base and chill for a few hours.

For the fruit topping:

16oz summer fruits

2oz castor sugar (or to taste)

250ml fruit juice

2 tsp arrowroot

- Blend the arrowroot with some of the fruit juice.
- In a saucepan, dissolve the sugar in the fruit juice.
- Gradually add sufficient arrowroot to thicken the juice.
 Boil, stirring continuously until the sauce thickens and clears
- Cool, then mix with the summer fruits and spread on the top of the cheesecake. Chill until set.

The recipe could be adapted for variation or for personal tastes. The biscuits could be of your choice; plain, sweet, digestive, chocolate, amaretti, etc or a mixture.

Different fruits could be used and the sauce could be omitted.

If any readers have any interesting recipes, ideas, or useful tips please send them in via the Community Times Box in the Post Office, or email to naylandcc@yahoo.co.uk

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION AGM

Members of Nayland Royal British Legion have voted against transferring £4,000 of its funds to the organisation's headquarters. The move at the branch's annual meeting followed discussion on the decision by headquarters to centralise funds, allowing the branch to hold £1,000 locally. Treasurer Richard Cave explained the money would still be controlled by the branch but it would have to apply if extra funds were needed. Following a lively discussion members unanimously rejected the treasurer's proposal to transfer £4,000 to headquarters and the information will be passed to county HQ.

President Geoffrey Lindop said he was pleased with the branch's progress over the year and congratulated chairman Bill Martin on holding it together. He thanked Mr Gowen for his initiatives in holding meetings at the Anchor Inn and introducing speakers at meetings. The service committee, treasurer, Poppy Appeal organiser, standard bearer and subscription secretary were also thanked for their efforts. Mr Lindop added it was necessary to increase membership and bring younger people in to the branch.

Chairman Bill Martin thanked officers for their support and said he was grateful to speakers from the branch who had given interesting talks. He would be reviewing the remembrance service during the coming year.

Officers elected included: president, Geoffrey Lindop; chairman, Bill Martin; vice-presidents, John Kent and Ken Willingale; vice-chairman, John Wilson-Smith; treasurer, Richard Cave; secretary, Andrew Gowen and service committee secretary, David George.

The meeting was preceded by an illustrated talk by Mike Ward on his experiences as an RAF communicator in Cyprus during the 1950s.

CONSERVATION SOCIETY by Pay Bray

Planning consent has been given to remove some trees and lower the height of others between the meadow owned by Nayland with Wissington Conservation Society and the weir, chairman John Alexander told the October meeting.

He said the trees, planted in 1991, had flourished and there were now too many, blocking the view of some Bear Street residents. It was hoped some dredging work near the weir and mill lade would be carried out in the spring.

Following an appeal at the last meeting two new members had joined committee, Andrew Eldridge and Margaret Dowding.

Paying tribute to residents who had died recently Mr Alexander recorded the society's thanks to John Dowding for attending countless village meetings and reporting back, Stuart Pickup who helped in many ways particularly by noting lorry movements in Bear Street and Peter Collingwood for opening his garden.

Referring to recent planning applications Mr Alexander said the society had objected to the creation of a car park for 10 vehicles at the waste transfer station on Harpers Hill and to increasing the number of caravans from 10 to 15 at Rushbanks Farm. The progress of a possible affordable housing site in Wiston Road would be monitored to ensure properties were suitable for the area of outstanding natural beauty.

Speaker Adrian Walters, Sudbury Common Lands ranger and clerk to the trustees, gave an illustrated talk on the area, describing the wetland, wildlife and management of the oldest recorded grazing land in the country. He said the most important issue at present was to retain the livestock, the key to the future of the meadows. Lottery funding had enabled a volunteer ranger scheme to be launched. A guided walk around the meadows led by Mr Walters was arranged for October 25.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT

The completion of four new affordable homes was celebrated with an informal open house attended by district and parish councillors on September 27.

The two-bedroomed, semi-detached houses in Harpers Estate, Nayland, are on land donated by Babergh Council after two old council bungalows were demolished and were completed in July.

Typical of the occupants are Joseph Machell, 24, and Natasha Langlands, 22, who both work locally. They had been living with Joseph's mother in Willow Grove, Nayland, for two years and wanted to start a family, but not until they had a home of their own.

"We didn't think we would get one for a long time so this is great," said Joseph. "We'd encourage other young people like us to put their names on the housing register because you never know."

Neighbour Phil King, who lived with his partner Juliette Cooledge in a one-bedroomed flat in Nayland for four years, agreed.

"We hope to start a family and having two bedrooms in our new house is absolutely wonderful," he said.

Built by Needham Contracts Ltd, three of the homes are rented and one is shared ownership. To be eligible all the applicants had to have Nayland connections.

The £387,000 development received £107,000 in grant funding from the Housing Corporation and a £22,000 grant from Babergh Council.

Flagship Housing Group, Babergh Council and Nayland Parish Council formed a partnership for the project and the parish council was closely involved from the start.



Parish council chairman Gerry Battye said he was very impressed with the development. "They're a real asset to the village and are bringing young people with local connections back to live here."

Flagship's head of business development Doug Malins added: "Harpers Estate has been possible due to a close partnership between Babergh Council, Flagship Housing Group and Nayland Parish Council. This superb rural affordable housing scheme will help meet the needs of local people, ensuring our rural communities are sustainable for future generations."

The Harpers Estate houses are Nayland's first affordable homes and a possible second site in Wiston Road is currently being considered.



CHURCH SERVICES: DECEMBER 2008 & JANAURY 2009

		St. James Nayland	St. Mary's Wiston
December 7 th Advent 2	8.00am 9.45am	Holy Communion Matins and Holy Communion	6.30pm Evensong
December 14 th Advent 3	8.00am 9.45am	Holy Communion Parish Communion	11.15am Holy Communion & Baptism
December 21 st Advent 4	8.00am 9.45am 6.30pm	Holy Communion Family Communion Traditional Service of Lessons and	4pm Crib Service Carols
December 24 th Christmas Eve	4.30pm 11.30pm	Christingle and Crib Service Midnight Mass	10.00am Family Communion
December 25 th Christmas Day	8.30am 11.00am 11.35am	Holy Communion (1662) Family Carols Shorter Holy Communion	
December 28 th The Holy Innocents	8.00am 9.45am	Holy Communion Parish Communion	11.15am Family Communion
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January 4 th Epiphany	8.00am 9.45am	Holy Communion Matins & Holy Communion	5.30pm Carols by Candlelight
January 11 th Baptism of Christ	8.00am 9.45am	Holy Communion Parish Communion	11.15am Holy Communion
January 18 th Epiphany 2	8.00am 9.45am 4.00pm	Holy Communion Family Communion & Baptism Evensong for Week of Prayer for Ch	ristian Unity
January 25 th Conversion of St Paul	8.00am 9.45am 4.00pm	Holy Communion Parish Communion Evensong	11.15am Family Communion
February 1 st Candlemas	8.00am 9.45am	Holy Communion Matins & Holy Communion	6.30pm Evensong

Weekday Services

Parkers Way 3pm Weds December 3rd, January 7th

Midweek Communion 10.00am St. James Every Weds Holy Communion

Nayland House Every Weds 10.45am

Pram & Toddler Service Thurs 9.30am December 11^{th} , January 8^{th}

Bible Study Mons 7.30, 18 Laburnum Way December 1st & 15th, January 5th & 19th

Other Dates for your Diary

Sat 6th Dec

10.30 –1pm in Community Council Bazaar in Village Hall
7.30pm Nayland Choir Christmas Concert in St. James Church

Sat 13th Dec 10am Thur 18th at 7.30pm, Sat 20th at 10am Carol Service Choir Practices Weds 17th Dec 7.30pm Carols around Village Christmas Tree with Boxted Silver Band

Tues 23rd Dec 10-12 Christingle Workshop in Church Hall Sat 17th Jan 10 – 11am Family Communion Workshop

Tues 20th Jan

9.30am Mass for Unity Week at the Church of The Sacred Heart
Sat 31st Jan

9.30am Mass for Unity Week at the Church of The Sacred Heart
Deanery Children's Workshop at Elmsett Village Hall 2 – 5pm

Christmas Present

Oh dear! It always seems such a shame that for many the build up to the celebration of Christmas is marred by the anxieties surrounding Christmas Shopping, especially the choosing and finding of the right presents for those we love. This year will be worse than ever for some as they have the added worry of how to afford them.

I realise that present-giving is an important part of our culture and it cannot be abandoned, but I would like to offer a moment of respite in all the frenzy. Just for a moment think about all the 'gifts' we exchange with others at Christmas and throughout the year. Gifts which are beyond price: the security of a loving home and the hospitality which welcomes others into it; the joys of simple fun shared within a family; the wonder and excitement in a child's eyes; the consolation of someone with time to really listen; the word of cheer exchanged on the street; the encouragement of someone willing to help out – the list is endless.

We say it is the thought that counts, and through our thoughtfulness we can give so much to each other every day.

Life itself is the most amazing gift we will ever be given. Sharing our life with others is the best we can ever give. This is the true heart of Christmas: the exchange of love in the present moment, the gift of God to us every day.

It is my hope and prayer that we will be able to treasure these gifts, to find time to unwrap them and enjoy them over Christmas and throughout the New Year.

So do have a wonderful Christmas and a joy-filled New Year

Kit Gray





OBITUARY: STUART PICKUP

Nayland firefighters formed a guard of honour outside St James's Church, Nayland, on Friday for the funeral of a former team member, Stuart Pickup, who died suddenly aged 62.

A congregation of more than 200 packed the church for the service conducted by priest-in-charge, the Rev Kit Gray.

Born in Accrington, Lancashire, Mr Pickup was one of the last apprentices of an award-winning blacksmith and until ill health forced him to give up his Nayland forge he had run a successful business making a wide range of wrought iron work.

In his youth he was a member of the local football team, sang in a choir and played in a brass band retaining his love of music all his life.

He was also interested in local politics and was "fond of putting the world to rights."

Mr Pickup came to Nayland in 1971 and worked at Windyridge probation hostel where he helped young lads with problems. He joined Nayland Rangers football team and after further jobs in Wiston set up a forge in a unit at Nayland airfield.

As a retained firefighter he was given the chance to move to Bear Street, Nayland, opening a new forge in Birch Street and the adjacent village shop, Forget Me Not, with his partner Rachel.

In her address, Miss Gray said Mr Pickup had known great suffering in his life and had to cope with recent disability which made him give up the work he loved.

Among the many tributes in a memorial book she said one had summed him up saying Stuart had left lasting memorials of himself in his wrought ironwork all over the village and beyond.

"With his unfailing cheerfulness and wry sense of humour, he always had time for a friendly chat and nothing was ever too much trouble," she added.

A collection raised £718 in donations for Nayland's First Response team. The service was followed by committal at Colchester Crematorium.

OBITUARY:

PETER COLLINGWOOD

Master weaver Peter Collingwood died unexpectedly in his Nayland workshop on October 9. He was 86.

Mr Collingwood, whose work was known all over the world, left his first career in medicine to train as a weaver and had worked in Nayland at the Old School since 1964.

Born in Marylebone, London, he was the son of a physiology professor and became a doctor though he was always interested in art. After National Service with the Royal Army Medical Corps he spent time with the Red Cross in Jordan where, he recalled, he was "bowled over" by the Bedouin, their weaving and ethnic textiles.

Dissatisfied with medicine he resolved to become a weaver and trained in three production workshops before setting up his own studio in north London where he concentrated on rug weaving, later turning to wall hangings.

Always fascinated by the various ways threads could be interworked to make a fabric he invented ways of altering his loom to create different effects.

He wrote six books, each a definitive guide to a specific technique, paid regular teaching visits to the USA and did textile research work.

His work was exhibited worldwide and in 1968 he shared a show with potter Hans Coper at the Victoria and Albert Museum in London. A retrospective exhibition of his work toured the UK, Sweden and the USA in 1998.

An accomplished musician with a lifelong interest in music, he played the recorder, concertina and dulcimer.

The funeral is at Colchester Crematorium on Friday, October 24 at 3.30pm. No flowers are requested but Mr Collingwood's favourite charity was Medecins sans Frontières. A service to celebrate his life will be arranged later.

He leaves his widow Elizabeth, son Jason who is a rug weaver, and daughter Rachel



Cancer Campaign in Suffolk

We would like the help of yourself and all your parishioners. We are the Cancer Campaign in Suffolk your local cancer charity we are not part of any large national charity and

every penny raised, is spent in Suffolk for the benefit of local people. The charity was formed in 1998, the aims being to improve access to high quality information, prevention, education and support services to cancer patients, their families and carer's in Suffolk.

In 2004 the Cancer Campaign in Suffolk's first major project was the John LeVay Cancer Information Centre in the north end of Ipswich Hospital. The centre offers expert advice and information on all aspects of cancer and its treatment. We have recently extended our input into the centre by employing a second specialist cancer nurse and five complementary therapists who offer free treatments to cancer patients, as well as continuing to provide the centre's running costs.

We would like to involve your local community in our charity by becoming members of our community fund raising team. We would also like the support of your community groups, organizations and clubs to consider raising funds for us in their fundraising activities.

To get involved call our campaign's office 0845 602 6607 or email:karen@cancercampaigninsuffolk.co.uk

We have some very exciting future plans one of which is to provide a mobile unit that will make cancer information, prevention, education and support available in your local area. Our ambitions are huge but that's because we feel that Suffolk deserves the best so our mobile unit will be state of the art and with a professional medical team on board. We estimate the cost will be approx £1.5million (including 3 years running costs) and we hope it will offer services that Suffolk has never had available before.

If you would like to know more about the Cancer Campaign in Suffolk call our campaign's office on: tel/fax 0845 602 6607 (all calls are at a local rate call charge) or visit our website www.cancercampaigninsuffolk.co.uk.

Karen Hare Chief Executive of Cancer Campaign in Suffolk PO Box 135, Felixstowe, Suffolk IP11 9WX Reg. Charity no. 1073241

PARIS-DEAUVILLE 42^{ND} PARIS — DEAUVILLE RALLY



It was with some trepidation that we considered entering the rally; but the organisers were keen to encourage us after receiving a photograph of our 1927 14/40 Humber Tourer.

As the start was at 7.30am on Friday 3rd October we needed a hotel in the centre of Paris for Thursday night. They were all booked 2 months before the rally due to the Paris Motor Show and

Paris Fashion Week. However, we did find a hotel just beyond the peripherique which we left at 6am on Friday to join the traffic jams to get to the starting point at Place Vendome for 7.30am where we had breakfast. We joined the other cars for departure at 9am with a 15 strong police motor cycle escort to get us clear of Paris. A very de-luxe Volvo breakdown truck followed us throughout the rally but I don't think it was ever needed

There were 58 entries, mostly French, 13 British but USA, Jersey, Germany and Belgium were represented. Thirty eight vehicles were pre 1940 and the rest were significant convertibles or cabriolets after that date. We were number 8 which meant that there were 7 vehicles older than us.

Significant vehicles were 7 Bugattis, 2 Model T Fords, a Bentley 4.5 litre, Le Mans Van den plas, a 3 litre Bentley Tourer (driven by a gentleman with only one arm), a 1911

Unic, a Rolls, a Lagonda and an Alvis.

Our route was given in French and English, but only sometimes did we get both kilometre and miles. Our first stop after 85 miles was Chateau d'Argeronne where we had lunch. This was a very large privately owned house where the meal was provided. After lunch, again through the by roads for 60 miles to Deauville where we were welcomed by the mayor and received some gifts.

On Saturday our route took us to Putanges and on to Bagnoles de l'Orne a distance of 75 miles for lunch, then returning through the countryside to Deauville a further distance of 78 miles. For our evening meal we went (by coaches) to the Casino at Trouville. We were staying 3 nights in the 5 star Normandy Barriere Hotel, which had a large underground car park reserved for us.

Sunday saw us preparing our cars for the Concours d'Etat, which we won in our class for pre 1930 cars and received a cup. This and the Concours d'Elegance took place on the Hippodrome Deauville La Touques (the race course) with the grandstand filled with the local public. In spite of our presentation for the Concours d'Elegance our efforts were to no avail and the winners were a couple in one of the Model T Fords who presented themselves as the Beverley Hillbillies. We finished the evening with a Gala dinner and dance at the Deauville Casino.

On Monday we left after breakfast and being given the hotel bill when we thought our entry fee included our hotel stay! As far as I know there was little mechanical trouble, one person did not go out on Saturday due to clutch trouble and another bought an extra battery as his dynamo was not charging.

Our only regret was that the weather was so wet all through the weekend. It certainly gave us a taster for the area, which unfortunately we didn't get a chance to explore at leisure.

The RSPB's **Big Garden Birdwatch** 24th & 25th January 2009

Help celebrate thirty years of Big Garden Birdwatch!

In the late 1970s, we asked our junior membership to count the birds in their garden. This 'one-off' idea was so successful, it has grown into the world's biggest survey of its kind. Thirty years later and you've clocked up more than three million Big Garden Birdwatch hours watching and enjoying the

birds in your gardens. You've also spotted 6 million birds, helping reveal the winners and losers in the garden bird world.

The two biggest winners are pigeons and tits. Woodpigeons, collared doves, blue, great, coal and long-tailed tits have all stormed into our gardens, making regular appearances in the Big Garden Birdwatch top 15, year on year.

The familiar faces of blackbirds, blue tits and robins were seen in more than 80 per cent of gardens surveyed during the

The 2008 Big Garden Birdwatch results showed the average number of birds seen in each garden has declined by a fifth since 2004, however four species of finch, which spend the winter in the UK, have increased.

For the first time in the survey's 29-year history, the striking siskin makes it into the top 20 and predicted, the colourful goldfinch made it in to the top 10 for the first time.

There was an increase in song thrushes, probably thanks to last year's warm, wet summer, which made it easier for them to find snails, slugs and earthworms to feed their young.

However, a decline of almost two thirds in song thrush numbers over the past 30 years indicates that there is a long way to go before the declines of the past are reversed.

The house sparrow retained its top spot however its numbers have decreased by almost two thirds since 1979. Despite its numbers falling by three quarters over the same period, the starling remained in second place and the blackbird completed the top three.

If you need help identifying the birds most likely to appear in your garden this year, take a look at the top 15 UK birds for 2008 on our website www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch/

Help us celebrate our 30th birthday.

It is simple and fun to take part in Big Garden Birdwatch. All you need to do is watch your garden or local park for an hour on either Saturday 24 or Sunday 25 January 2009.

Simply record the highest number of each species seen in your garden at any one time. Was there ever a better excuse to stay in your armchair and stare out the window, than to say you're just counting the birds in your garden?

Wherever you decide to do your birdwatch, it's best done in a place where you can see the birds well and where you can sit quietly so they are not disturbed.

Check out our top 10 tips for having a successful Big Garden Birdwatch on www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch/ You can download the counting sheet from which will help you keep track of how many birds you've seen. The sheet has pictures of the commonest birds seen in gardens, as well as space to cross off how many of each species you have seen together. You don't need to send this sheet back to us .

Our online form will open on 24 January 2009 for you to enter your 2009 counts. We will collate and publish the results in March 2009.



Winter Walks & Events Programme 2008/9 HISTORIC HOUSES AND MORE DELIGHTS ALONG THE STOUR



FESTIVE FOXEARTH

Sunday 14th December 10.00am - 1.30pm

Escape the pre-Christmas shopping stresses and join us for a walk from Long Melford to Foxearth. We'll be joined by a local historian for an insight into the past in this fascinating village. Mince pies and a hot drink provided! Approx. 6 miles – Moderate.

HEALTHY NEW YEAR IN HARTEST

Sunday 18th January 10.00 – 1.00pm

Burn off the Christmas excesses with a refreshing walk in Hartest and Somerton taking in views over the Glem Valley. Approx. 6 miles – Moderate.

RAIL RAMBLE

Sunday 22nd February 10.30 - 3.00pm

We'll take the train from Sudbury to Bures and then take the long way back taking in the stunning scenery along the Stour Valley Path. Bring a packed lunch – this will be a long walk! Approx. 8 miles. Moderate + (Walkers will need to pay their own train fare – adult fare approx. £2.20)

Type of walk: Easy: Gentle stroll with locations that are very accessible by everyone. Moderate: Country walking may include some rougher ground/stiles.

Moderate +: For more experienced walkers covering longer distances.

Adults £3, Children Free. Numbers limited. Bookings taken one calendar month before each event. Further details, please contact us on:

01473 264263 www.dedhamvalestourvalley.org

Peake Fitness at the Stoke by Nayland Club assists ITFC with training

Peake Fitness is pleased to announce it has been appointed by Ipswich Town Football Club to assist in their first team training schedule on a regular basis. Stef Harris, the Spa Manager at Peake Fitness, has started taking the players through stretching and mobility work after their training sessions. Stef said, "I use a combination of yoga and pilates to increase flexibility, mobilisation and strengthening core work. This will hopefully help to prevent injury on the pitch, and speed up the healing time of injuries".

Stef teaches Body Balance and other classes weekly at Peake Fitness, where members and guests are reaping the benefits of her excellent skills and training.

The Stoke by Nayland Club enjoys a good, longstanding relationship with ITFC; many of the players are members of the golf and fitness clubs and Jim Magilton and the team opened the new Peake Changing rooms at Stoke by Nayland recently.



Stef Harris puts the ITFC first team through their paces in a Body Balance class at the Peake Fitness aerobics studio

For more information on classes and membership at Peake Fitness please contact 01206 265820. www.stokebynaylandclub.co.uk .

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ASSINGTON MILL NEWSLETTER

Plans for 2009 are almost finalised. There are eleven new courses:

- Book conservation, for those who already have some experience
- Massage for couples, but single people very welcome
- First aid (certificate awarded)
- · Wind turbine making
- Singing (especially for those whose efforts have been derided in the past!)
- · Garden structures in willow
- Photography nature and landscapes
- · Clay oven-making
- · Woodcarving & letter-cutting
- Playing for English country dancing & English country dancing.

As well as these, there are the old favourites. Top of the poll this year has to be beekeeping with five absolutely packed out courses, thanks partly to an article in The Guardian.

Hope to see you on some of these, or you might like to consider one of them as a present for someone who has everything.

The website contains the booking form should you need

With best wishes, Anne Holden

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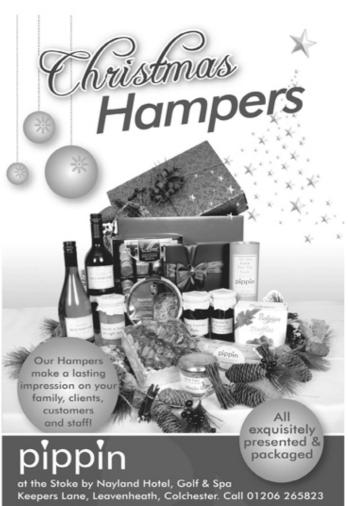
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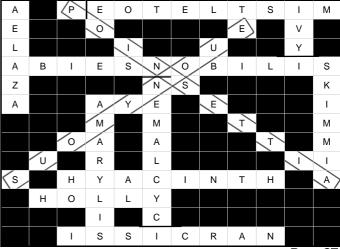
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December 1st 5th 5th 6th 6th 7th 10th 10th 11th 14th 14th 15th 15th 17th 18th 21st 21st 24th	Village Hall Management Committee Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall Nayland Primary School Christmas Fayre 6pm-8pm page 10 Woodland Corner Wine Tasting Evening 8pm Village Hall page 9 Nayland Christmas Bazaar Village Hall at the earlier time of 10.30-1pm Nayland Choir: Christmas Concert and Carols page 8 Village Players' Auditions 'Party Piece' 5pm Church Hall page 10 Village Players' Auditions 'Party Piece' 5pm Church Hall page 10 Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall Committee Room Over 60s Christmas Party 3pm page 18 Christmas Tree to be erected by Community Council Dedham Vale & Stour Valley Project Walk: Festive Foxearth 10am page 30 RBL: Joint Christmas Party 7.30 Church Hall page 17 W.I.: 'Country Dancing' with Mr Ron Coxall page 18 Carols around the Village Christmas Tree with Boxted Silver Band 7.30 page 27 Luncheon Club for over 60s: Christmas Party 12 noon Lower Bulmer Farm page 17 & 24 Candlelit Carol Service 6.30pm St James' Church page 20 & 27 Country Music Club Christmas Party: 'Bar Hoppers' 7.30 Village Hall page 10 Christmas Eve Dance with 'Country Law' 8pm Village Hall page 9
January 4th 5th 7th 12th 14th 18th 24/25th 25th 27th	Christmas Tree to be taken down by Community Council Village Hall Management Committee Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall Nayland Art Group – new term begins page 18 Community Council meeting 8pm Church Hall (Exec 7.30) Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall Committee Room Dedham Vale & Stour Valley Project Walk: New Year in Hartest 10am page 30 RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch page 29 Country Music Club: 'Wrangler' 7.30 Village Hall page 10 Luncheon Club for over 60s: 12 for 12.30 Church Hall page 17 & 24
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March 6th	Village Quiz 8pm Village Hall



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