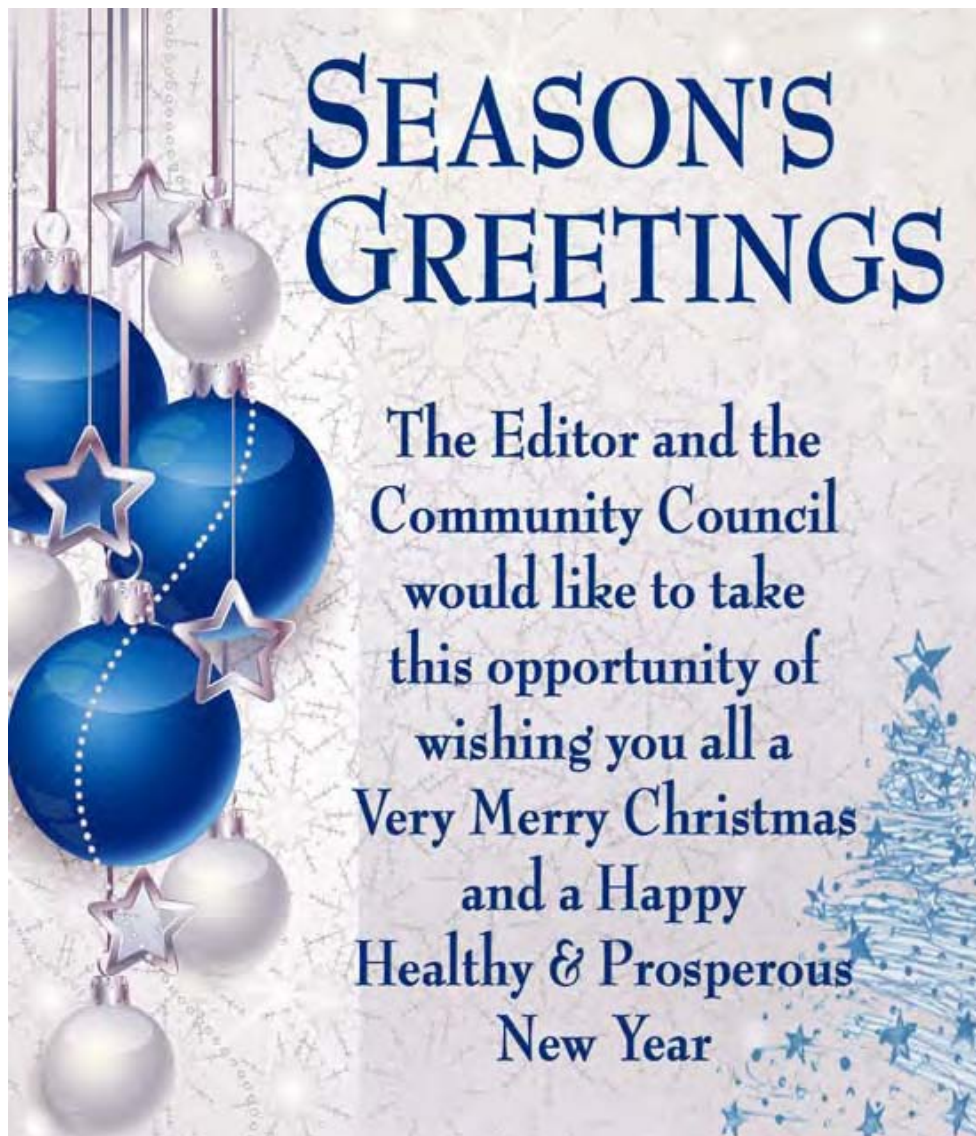




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*Ken Willingale,  
President, Community Council*

**DECEMBER 2019**

**No: 182**

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# NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Extract of Draft Minutes for Meeting: 9th October 2019

(Minutes will be available on PC notice board in the High Street or [www.naylandandwiston.net](http://www.naylandandwiston.net) after the next meeting)

### PUBLIC FORUM

Details of a public exhibition was shared on proposals for the conservation meadows. Improvements to footpaths were being investigated together with the planting of trees at the back of Bear Street. An idea of a footbridge was not considered viable.

### DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

Melanie Barrett was questioned on developers putting in applications piecemeal to potentially get around the requirement for a proportion of affordable homes over a certain number. After prompting she agreed to make enquiries in respect of local applications. Documentation providing the financial costs and benefits of a potential name change for Babergh District Council was requested. Melanie Barrett agreed to investigate.

### PLANNING

Councillors heard that Babergh DC have given permission at **Little Bulmer Farm, Wiston Road [DC/19/04015]** for dwarf wall greenhouse on a cement base following removal of chicken shed and run and at **41 Bear Street [DC/19/02425 & 6]** listed building consent for change of use of ground floor from retail to form residential use (C3) and works to internal and external doors and windows in association with the change of use. It was agreed to contact Babergh DC seeking clarity over the interpretation of policies relating to the marketing of a commercial entity and also querying the lack of drawings in respect of the proposed parking. At **8 Mill Street [DC/19/03701]** Condition 3 had been approved and Condition 4 (Contamination Report) had been partly approved.

Discussing recent applications, councillors had no objections at **St George House, Wiston Uplands [DC/19/04523]** for the proposed felling of protected lime tree due to the very poor condition of the tree in question.

The Minerals and Waste Consultation had been circulated. Gerry Battye agreed to review in respect of the impact to the Parish. It will form an Agenda item for the November Meeting.

### BRIEFING TO RE-NAME BABERGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

Members felt a cost/benefit analysis would help inform them of whether this idea had merit. Concerns at this stage would be the unnecessary cost and that no proper public consultation has been arranged.

### RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES

It was noted Bootcamp was closed for the winter. There was a meeting with our grounds maintenance contractors at the Bear Street Playing Field. Whilst there were no immediate hazards with the play park, some maintenance items were discussed and quotes were requested. The safety surface will need attention in the future. Gerry Battye agreed to liaise with the playground safety inspectors for the annual report. The driveway has still not been attended to and it was agreed to seek a progress report from the Diocesan Surveyor. It was agreed to arrange a meeting with our contractors at Pop's Piece to agree a specification for the necessary works and a quotation. We can then get two

further quotations for comparison. It was noted that our contractors cleared branches from Caley Green following the high winds.

### HIGHWAYS

James Finch explained the issues and investigation regarding the drainage. The Chairman stressed that regular clearance by SCC is essential to avoid the blocking by silt. This was evidenced as a clearance following one flood lessened the consequences of an equally serious rainfall the following week. James Finch explained that grit and silt continually washes down from Gravel Hill causing the on-going situation. A site meeting was planned. James Finch stressed that whilst the engineers are aware of these various issues, they were working to priorities. He was reminded that our litter contractors cannot clear the verges on the A134 due to them being overgrown. He was asked to investigate responsibilities to clear accident debris, our contractors cleared some recently as it was left following an accident on the A134. He agreed to investigate.

### STREET LIGHTING

It was confirmed that James Finch was intervening to chase the remaining street lighting works. It was agreed to ask for a quote for a new standard in Mill Street. The Clerk is to seek a site meeting with the engineer for the Chairman and Gerry Battye to attend.

### FOOTPATHS

The diversion at the Horkesley Lock bridge footpath was discussed and it was noted this has already been investigated by our Footpath Warden. It was agreed for the Chairman to seek a phone call with the owner to discuss his views regarding this permissive path.

### ALLOTMENTS

The hay has been cut on the allotment field and the Chairman had discussed with the tenant farmer. It was suggested that we spot spray the ragwort in the Spring. This will be on the agenda for finance committee as will an introduction of a returnable deposit for new Allotment Holders.

### VILLAGE HALL

The VAT office had finally replied to our request for clarification over the Roof project. A new cooker had been purchased with 50% of the cost being a grant from the Community Council.

### BURIAL GROUND

An oak tree had partially fallen in the old burial ground which had been reported to Babergh DC who maintain the old burial ground. Estimates were awaited from our contractors following the autumn review meeting.

### IN BRIEF

No developments were reported in relation to the Housing Needs Survey/Neighbourhood Planning.

## NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### CHRISTMAS FAYRE RAFFLE

Donations of prizes for the Community Council's raffle at the Christmas Family Fayre on Saturday 7th December would be very much appreciated.

They can be left at 107 Bear Street or  
2 High Street (door in Fen St)  
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**Tuesday 29 January**  
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# NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Notes on the meeting : 13th November 2019

(Minutes will be available on PC notice board in the High Street or [www.naylandandwiston.net](http://www.naylandandwiston.net) after the next meeting)

### PLANNING APPLICATIONS ON HARPER'S HILL

Residents had objected to there being two separate phases of development - incompatible with Babergh's own Planning Policy as it is a means to avoiding including affordable dwellings. Parish councillors had also written expressing serious concerns regarding access onto the A134; pedestrian access to the village and had pointed out that there is no bus service or footway as stated in the application. Tricia Fuller commented that none of these points had been presented to the decision making Planning Committee by the case officer who had included 'lack of affordable housing' as a single objection.

District Councillor Melanie Barrett made it clear that she had supported the application because of the local need to downsize. Melanie Barrett confirmed she had visited the site and had considered the footpath access to be acceptable.

The Parish Council will invite Ian Isbell, Chief Planning Officer to attend a meeting to discuss. Councillors would also raise the contradictory decisions made in granting permission at 41 Bear Street while refusing at The White Hart; both were previously commercial premises.

### RENAMING BABERGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

Melanie Barrett advised that this was no longer on the immediate agenda. The proposed change was to 'South Suffolk' as 'Babergh' 'did not explain who we were nor where we are to inward investors'. While 'Babergh' has been used only since 1974, Councillors pointed out that the name was very old as we are in the 'Babergh hundred'. Cllrs had previously requested a cost analysis on making the name change.

(Note according to Wikipedia: Babergh was a hundred of Suffolk, consisting of 71,882 acres of land to

the north, east and south east of Sudbury. It was listed as Babergh in the Domesday Book and the name is believed to mean "Mound of a man called Babba")

### PLANNING

Councillors heard that Babergh DC had granted permission at **St George House, Wissington Uplands** [DC/19/04523] for the proposed felling of protected lime tree due to the very poor condition of the tree in question, at **2 Gravel Hill** [DC/19/03700] listed building consent to re-roof dwelling, widen vehicular access and erect entrance gates, and at **The Bungalow Harpers Hill** [DC/19/03822] outline permission (some matters reserved – including access) for erection of 6 dwellings (2 semi-detached and 4 detached dwellings), with associate garages, parking, private drive and access (following demolition of existing dwelling).

Discussing recent applications councillors had no objection at **1 Fox Cottages Bures Road** [DC/19/04750] for erection of a two storey side extension, at **15 The Westerings** [DC/19/04960] for erection of a two storey rear extension, at **The Mill House Wiston Hall Lane** [DC/19/04751] to listed building consent for erection of a single storey side extension or at **The Malt House 16 Stoke Road** [DC/19/04929] for works to trees in a conservation area T1 Oak reduction by 0.5 - 1.5 metres.

Councillors had no objection at **Longwood House Stoke Road** [DC/19/05106] for conversion of barn/stables to annexed accommodation for relatives subject to it not being a separate dwelling. Discussing listed building consent at **4 Mill Street Nayland** [DC/19/05282 & 3] to replace render to south west and north west elevations; replace guttering and install rain-water pipe to north west and south east elevations and refurbish

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## Christmas Dates To Remember

Christmas Day and Boxing Day fall on Wednesday and Thursday this year, and New Years Day is on the following Wednesday.

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collections due on Friday 3rd January will be on Monday 6th January  
Black bins: collections due Thursday 9th January will be Friday 10th January  
collections due on Friday 10th January will be on Saturday 11th January  
Brown bins: no collection over 23rd December - 6th January.  
*Leave bins out by 6.30am. See page 41 for Babergh's full schedule*

**Bus Services** See page 46 for Christmas bus services

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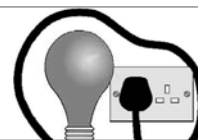
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## COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT

Meeting: 28th October 2019 Chair: Rachel Hitchcock 263169  
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Rachel Hitchcock welcomed members to the meeting.

### MATTERS ARISING:

**Executive Committee:** Rachel Hitchcock reminded the meeting of the urgent need for more members on the Exec. We meet just six times a year. It is an enjoyable friendly village committee and an ideal way for those new to the village to become involved and meet new friends. Contact Rachel on 263169 or [rachel\\_hitchcock@hotmail.com](mailto:rachel_hitchcock@hotmail.com) if you would like to know more. Members expressed their best wishes for a speedy recovery to Colin Ramsell.

Members were saddened to hear that Roy Evans had passed away recently. Roy was a member of the Exec for 20 years until retiring in 2010; he was Vice Chair from 1997 and Vice President 2003-2010. Roy and his wife Jean gave great dedication in leading distribution of the Community Times from its beginning in 1989 until 2010. Roy was a quiet but very effective man of Wales, incredibly helpful and willing to do anything to assist. Roy's funeral is on Tuesday 29th October, 1.15pm at St James' Church. The Exec send their condolences to his wife Jean.

**Fundraising Activities & Events:** Ideas for fund raising projects to benefit the CC are always welcome

**Community Defibrillator:** Defibrillators are located at the Village Hall and at the Fire Station.

Rachel Hitchcock felt there should be another training session at some point.

**Nayland 10k Fun Run:** The 2020 Nayland 10k will take place on Sunday 5th July.

**Village Hall Garden:** The autumn session to maintain the gardens was held on 12th October. Rachel Hitchcock attended and said the weather had not been kind. The next session will be in spring, usually during April (date depending on Easter).

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Maggie Ryan gave her report.

**Breakdown of profits:** Quiz £210, Community Times £1,080, Village Calendar (£267), Nayland 10k £1,414.40, Bonfire (£1,035.22)

**Grants paid:** Lizzie's Fund Endurance Walk £170, Nayland & Wiston website £94.

**Current Position:** The accounts show reserves of £23,232.65, represented by Deposit a/c monies £10,684.42, Current a/c monies £12,475.45, Cash in hand £72.78. We hold £318.50 for the Services Fund and £10,000 VH roof grant is pending. The grant for the Village Hall cooker is £779.99. **Therefore, unencumbered assets are £12,114.16.**

### GRANTS & DONATIONS:

**Village Hall Cooker:** At the September meeting a grant of £779.99 was awarded to the VHMC as half the cost of a replacement. The cooker has been purchased and installed.

**Community Times & Websites:** Lorraine Brooks gave the usual plea for contributions for the coming issue.

Justin Dowding said the Nayland & Wiston website continues to be well used.

**Village Calendar:** Lorraine Brooks said the 2020 calendar is available to buy in the Post Office and at Forget Me Not priced £5.

The calendar team need to widen the net so would be grateful for help with selling at other venues/events. Claire Buller advised that John Spooner would be willing to sell calendars at the Country Music Club monthly concerts.

### FORTHCOMING ACTIVITIES

**Bonfire Night on Tuesday 5th November, 6.30 for 7pm display:**

The fireworks have been delivered, Julie and Kristian Clark attended pyrotechnic training and will gain experience from observing this year. The Anchor Inn have kindly agreed that their overflow car park can be used; accessible parking only at the village hall. Solutions to reduce queues at sales points were successful last year and will be repeated – Claire will send out an email with all the details on sales. Rachel and Maggie will

update the Risk Assessment. Rachel will send out an email with updated set up, gate, parking, etc details. Volunteers for a litterpick the following morning from 9am would be welcome.

**Christmas Fayre on Saturday 7th December:** Rachel Hitchcock confirmed the School will provide entertainment, Father Christmas will be in attendance, stallholders have booked tables. Messy Church will provide children's activities. Rachel will send out an email with all the updated planning details. Setting up starts at 8.30am, stallholders at 9am, open at 10.30am-1pm. Many thanks to Andrew and Sue for running the mulled wine stall for many years; Jo and Luke will run it this year. Julie will organise the sausage rolls, Rachel will organise the presents. Volunteers are needed to man the raffle.

**Village Christmas Tree:** Claire has arrangements in hand. The tree will go up on Sunday 8th December from 9am – help would be welcomed – and taken down on Sunday 5th January. Bryan will make arrangements for electricity supply.

**Nayland Village Quiz:** will be on Friday 7th February 2020.

### SOCIETY REPORTS

**HortSoc:** Trevor Smy said their coach outing to Audley End House and Gardens had been enjoyable but the coach had not been full, in October Pip Wright gave a very interesting talk on '*Lucky is the Name*' the intriguing story and scandals of a Suffolk farming family between 1858-1969. On 11th November the subject of the joint meeting with the Conservation Society will be *Barn Owls*. They will have a stall at the Christmas Fayre.

**Women's Institute:** Yvonne Swane said they enjoyed their annual afternoon Tea Party in the President's garden, a boat trip on the River Orwell, talks by Chris Hunt on '*War Memorials*' and by Lisa Jones on '*The history of Underwear*'. On 18th November there will be a talk on '*Jumbo: The History of Colchester's Water Tower*' and on 16th December '*Music & Poetry with guitar accompaniment*'.

**Village Players:** Justin Dowding said they are rehearsing for their next production, '*The Lion in Winter*' by James Goldman. Betrayal, treachery and family feuding: it's just another normal Christmas celebration for the royal Plantagenet family of King Henry II. Jim Bond will be directing with performances on 5th-7th December.

**Royal British Legion:** John Partridge said Bryan Smith gave a fascinating talk about his years living and working in Saudi Arabia at their AGM. The Poppy Appeal Coffee Morning takes place on 9th November and Remembrance Day Service on Sunday 10th, 10.45am at the War Memorial.

**Conservation Society:** John Partridge said on 3rd November the Nayland with Wissington Land Company will be holding an exhibition for proposals to the future management of the Nayland Meadows. On 11th November '*Barn Owls*' will be the subject of the talk at the joint meeting with HortSoc. The Conservation Society committee is considering the suggestion of making a collaborative request to the Environment Agency asking for a water level gauge/censor to be sited on the river at Nayland.

**Village Hall:** Iain Wright said a second grant application, with the extra detail required, has been submitted to Babergh Community Infrastructure Levy. The replacement cooker has been installed and general maintenance continues. They continue to look for a solution to the faulty front door closure.

**Nayland Cinema:** Iain Wright said there had been some interesting films screened with good attendances. The last film this year will be '*Yesterday*' on 8th November. On 26th January they are organising a fundraising Tea Party and screening of '*The Affair*' which was filmed partly in Nayland during the 90s and starred some of those at this meeting!

**Parish Council:** Ned Cartwright said they are still 4 members short and urgently need people to join them as co-opted members; without a full council it is difficult to manage council business



Nayland with Wissington Community Council's

# CHRISTMAS FAMILY FAYRE

## Saturday 7th December

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### Father Christmas

### Musical Entertainment by Nayland Primary School

### Traditional Stalls & Festive Goodies

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### Great Atmosphere

*Community Council report continued.....*

efficiently. They have contributed comments to Babergh on the proposed changes to guidelines for the Local Plan Consultation, they met with SSC highways regarding flooding on the A134, they are concerned about the number of inappropriately large lorries using Wiston Road. They have examined and objected to an application to build another 6 houses at The Bungalow, Harpers Hill. Asked about an application for change of use at the White Hart, no decision had been published (the following day Babergh published the application had been refused).

**Messy Church:** Rachel Hitchcock said the last two sessions were well attended. They are not church as you know it! October's 'Light Party' theme was lots of fun, noise, games, doughnut eating and pumpkins! .

**AOB:**

**Water Level in the River Stour:** Lorraine Brooks said a number of residents had now received responses to their letters of concern to the Environment Agency (EA) regarding the horseshoe weir and sections of the river running completely dry during August and September. An information and photographic record of events sent with her letter is available to view on <https://www.naylandandwiston.net>.

The EA say this has happened due to lack of rainfall over a couple of years and increased demand on the water supply. The problem of water levels being low in other rivers in the SE of England has featured in the press and on the BCC, where concerns have been raised that demands on water supply needs to be considered as infrastructure for building development.

Regarding maintenance, they confirm they have a statutory duty in relation to navigation but are restricted by financial constraints; the river is deemed navigable if it is passable in a canoe, even if this involves portaging sections of the river.

A resident has made a suggestion that having a water level gauge/censor sited on the river at Nayland (as there are at

Bures and Langham) would be useful. Mike Hunter has agreed to discuss the possibility of following up the suggestion to ask the EA to install a gauge, as a collaborative project with the CC and the PC, at the next Conservation Society committee meeting. He will also raise the proposal at the next PC meeting. The CC agreed to support the proposal for a water level gauge and this will become an agenda item,

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 7th January 2020** in the Church Hall at 8pm (with Exec at 7.30pm).

## COME AND JOIN OUR FRIENDLY COMMUNITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE

We are seeking some new volunteers to come and join the Community Council Committee to bring new ideas and support with popular village events, such as Bonfire Night, the Christmas Fayre and the Nayland 10k.

It really isn't an arduous job - we meet every couple of months, provide a forum for all the village societies to come together and share what they are up to, fundraise to support village activities and societies and organise some of the key events in the village calendar. Nayland is such an active and friendly village and being involved in the Community Council is a great way to be part of it.

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It was organised by Nayland with Wissington Community Council and chair Rachel Hitchcock said: "There was a great atmosphere and it was a really good evening with people coming from far and wide to enjoy the display."

The event raised just over £3,000 for council funds.

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## REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Events marking Remembrance Sunday began with a wreath-laying ceremony.

Villagers gathered around the war memorial where wreaths were laid by Royal British Legion branch chairman John Partridge, parish council chairman Mary George, Nayland Primary School pupil Oliver Russell and a representative from Nayland Fire Station. Following the Last Post and two-minutes silence branch members moved into St James's Church accompanied by the rest of the congregation.

The well-attended church service was conducted by David Pryor who also preached the sermon. Branch president Ken Willingale listed the names of servicemen from Nayland and Wiston who lost their lives in both world wars.

Earlier, Mr Pryor led a service at St Mary's, Wiston, where wreaths were laid by David Slater for the legion and parish councillor Ned Cartwright.

Bugler Bill Slark sounded the Last Post and Reveille at both venues.

A coffee morning held at the church hall on November 9 raised £291 for the Poppy Appeal.



*Parish Council... continued from page 3*

window to north west elevation and erection of log store following removal of shed and coal bunker councillors had no objection subject to the Heritage Officer's advice regarding the mix of the render. Councillors had no objection at **39 Fen Street** to remove a conifer hedge - although not required to comment councillors will send a confirmatory email to the contractor.

Councillors object to the felling of the Handkerchief and Sycamore trees at **30 Bear Street** [DC/19/04014] for notification of proposed works to trees under Tree Preservation Order WS129/A6 to fell 1 Handkerchief tree (T1), fell 1 Sycamore tree (T2) and reduce 1 Yew tree (T3).

### RIVER STOUR

Mary George said that following the concerns about the drop in water levels in the river in the Summer, the Community Council and Conservation Society have agreed as a collaborative project to ask the Environment Agency to install a water level monitor censor (perhaps fitted to the Anchor Bridge or by the horseshoe weir). The PC will write to the Conservation Society in support and suggesting they ask the EA how they currently assess water levels here.

### MILL STREET BRIDGE

When the Mill Lade grill was cleared recently bits of furniture and plastic were removed along with green debris. The Environment Agency has again asked that residents along the riverside refrain from dumping tree stumps, grass cuttings and so on into the river.

### RECREATION & OPEN SPACES

Repairs are due to be carried out to the drive to the Vicarage. This is a private drive and councillors felt it would be timely for

a 'no parking on the drive' reminder to go to parents at Nayland Primary School.

Mary George had met with a resident of a property neighbouring Fairfield playing field regarding the height of a section of the party hedge. Councillors agreed that it needed reducing and to investigate the ownership of the hedge.

### HIGHWAYS

A drainage survey has been carried out by Suffolk CC over the past two years. They would like to include the drainage scheme in with the Mill Street bridge renovation works and are bidding for funding. Timing of works will be affected by bats under the mill.

Sheds and other structures had been built over culvert inspection chambers and some new owners did not know the chambers' locations. Suffolk CC are considering three potential solutions.

Problems of flooding on the A134 and Stoke Road is part of the drainage discussion.

Damage is being remedied to verges in Wiston, a pothole will be repaired in Church Lane, a new bollard will be provided in Bear Street.

### IN BRIEF

A new backwater project has taken place on private land in Wiston and is designed to give young fish some protection. It would not affect the flow of the river.

The PC has received an application for a 6' x 4' shed at the allotments

The Village Cinema is doing well. It will break in December and show two films in January.

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It was well attended and 33 attendees completed consultation forms. Of these, 31 were supportive of the proposals and 2 were against. A number of consultees made further suggestions and all of these are being considered by the board. It is likely that in certain circumstances a representative of the board will meet with residents to discuss their concerns. In due course the outcome of the consultation will be publicised.





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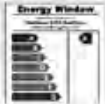


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# WATER FLOW RETURNS TO THE STOUR



*Restored: the horseshoe weir on 14th August with no water flow and on 7th October with a strong cascade of water*

It seems some time ago now that (on 14th August 2019) flow to our beloved river became low and the horseshoe weir ran dry. For some time walkers and villagers were dismayed, canoeists were left carrying their vessels, fish were stranded in isolated pools or lay dead and other wildlife left confused. But when autumn rains came, and persisted, the levels rose and by 7th October the horseshoe weir was flowing strongly once again to the delight of many.

Like a number of other residents I wrote to the Environment Agency expressing my concerns that the river had no water and at the lack of maintenance generally. Many of the responses were similar; the précis of the response I received is below.

It remains odd to me that they have been using the word 'drought' since this occurred. Yet in the past when water was sparse bans on the use of sprinklers would be imposed, followed by hosepipe bans but not a murmur this summer. I believe though that those with abstraction licences - the farmers growing crops - did have abstraction restrictions placed on them!

## RESPONSE FROM ENVIRONMENT AGENCY

The response I received from Simon Hawkins, East Anglia Area Director stated that groundwater levels in Suffolk have been impacted by the recent very low rainfall following a dry winter. They have declared an environmental drought in this part of the country and issued notices to irrigation licence holders to cut back their rate of abstraction.

The EA have also been actively monitoring flows and water quality in the river at Nayland throughout August and September 2019. This includes recording the impacts of low flows, taking measurements for example dissolved oxygen readings to assess any deterioration in water quality and to check for any signs of fish in distress. They state they will continue to review what actions can be taken in managing low river flows on the River Stour now and in the future.

During the summer months the rate of flow in the River Stour is determined by the groundwater level in the chalk aquifer. The chalk aquifer is recharged over winter, typically between November and April. The EA stated that since 2016 the amount of rain in Essex and Suffolk has been consistently below average and last winter recharge was extremely slow. As a result groundwater levels have fallen to extremely low levels.

The EA also state that the continuous flow record at Lamarsh and Langham also provides confirmation that the rate of flow between the two reaches has been maintained at a consistent rate throughout the summer. There is no disputing this rate of flow is extremely low, but is the result of low groundwater levels caused by a prolonged dry period over the last 36 months.

## ELY OUSE TO ESSEX TRANSFER SCHEME

The EA states that no water has been abstracted by Northumbrian Water (NW) at Wormingford since 19th June. All the water NW abstracted during the early spring and summer was water transferred by the EOETS specifically for that purpose and even then only proportion of the transferred water was taken.

There has been much ado recently about our rivers; on television and in the press. And of course about the weather!

There have been problems reported this summer with the slow flow of water in the River Colne at Colchester. An increase in duckweed and water fern, *Azolla filiculoides*, has left the river covered in a film of green. *Noah's Clean the River Colne* campaign is highlighting this issue. Simon Hawkins, for the Environment Agency (EA) stated that the water fern is an invasive, non-native species and can be very difficult to control and grows where the river flows slower. He states that management of riverside and aquatic vegetation is generally the responsibility of the landowner. However, to minimise the environmental impact that this weed is having on our rivers in these drought conditions they have trialled different ways of removing the duckweed from the River Colne and other rivers this year.

The BBC have run several items too. One in *The One Show* about the low water levels in many rivers across Cambridgeshire, Hertfordshire, Suffolk and Essex. The reporter seemed

During the 2018-19 refill of Abberton Reservoir they transferred 21980 Megalitres of water into the River Stour specifically for NW to abstract to fill Abberton Reservoir. Permission was granted to NW to abstract up to 9172 Megalitres at Wormingford. The water company will preferentially take more water at the lower intakes at Stratford, Langham and Brantham. Actual abstraction returns from NW are confidential information.

EA's operational rules on transferring water to support abstraction at Wormingford require that they allow no more than 75% of the water discharged in the river from the EOETS to be taken at any one time. This does allow for transit losses en-route.

## NAVIGATION & MAINTENANCE

The EA states it has a statutory duty in relation to navigation to take such steps as reasonably practicable, taking account of financial constraints, to maintain the main navigation channel for the purpose of navigation by pleasure boats.

They state navigation income from craft registration is minimal (around £3,000 pa) and ever reducing Government funds limits what they can do.

In terms of what is deemed navigable this varies according to its use and other physical constraints. For the powered craft section between Ballingdon Bridge in Sudbury and Henry Street they maintain a two-way navigation channel width. For unpowered sections they deem if the river is passable in a canoe, even if this involves portaging sections of the river then it is still navigable.

The EA state they will endeavour to assess reports of obstructions to navigation such as fallen trees and usually try and attend to undertake minor works to make the river passable until such time that a full removal can be arranged and funded. They also get in touch with the riparian or riverside landowner to impress on them their legal duties to undertake the obstruction removal.



to conclude lack of maintenance by the Environment Agency along with intense building development in East Anglia and its increased demand for water was taking its toll on the rivers.

An article and letters in the Essex County Standard suggested greater importance should be given to water being considered infrastructure by planning authorities.

Another BBC feature was on *Focus On Farming* about the National Farmers' Union campaign for a joined-up approach, both in the use of water and maintenance of waterways, particularly as more extreme weather events are occurring.

Following the terrible flooding a few years ago in Somerset Levels and other areas it came to light that neglect of the rivers left them at just 52% efficiency so when the rains came how could they possibly cope; their banks burst.

Our hearts currently have to go out to the people in Doncaster and other areas suffering from the devastating floods there. Will this turn out to be, in part at least, due to poor management of waterways?

Back to our own River Stour and its maintenance.... less than a decade ago it could cope very well with raised water levels; with reeds growing almost from bank to bank in places how does its efficiency compare now?

Following a suggestion from a resident that a water level sensor gauge would be useful to have on the river at Nayland, the Community Council and Conservation Society have agreed to collaborate to investigate that possibility.

*Lorraine Brooks*

PS. On 17th November, the Horseshoe weir again ran dry, but was quickly rectified as the cause was a blockage at the sluice gate.



*Then & now from Anchor Bridge*



## RIVER WATCH

Over the last few months our river has been a hot topic in chatter and on social media and various snippets of news have come to light. It would be good to share them here, so if you spot anything of interest, whether good, bad, unusual, beautiful, disgraceful, do please send details to [lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com](mailto:lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com) for inclusion here. In the meantime, spotted recently....

### DEAD SHEEP'S CARCASS IN THE RIVER STOUR

On 12th September a Nayland resident contacted the EA to report a dead sheep caught in reeds in the main river downstream of Bures Lock. This was not only unsightly, smelly and a source of pollution, it was just before of the annual Sudbury to the Sea (S2C) event in which young children would be taking part who would no doubt find the dead animal very upsetting.

The EA's response was: *"The Environment Agency will only consider dead animals in water courses as an incident if a dead animal is in a main river and is likely to cause flooding or pollution. A single carcass will not cause significant pollution and we will not remove it because it is unsightly."*

The carcass was unmissable when approx 300 adults and youngsters paddled past during the S2C on 14th September.

The EA state: environmental incidents should be reported to their 24 hour hotline number: 0800 80 70 60.

### KINGFISHERS

With the return of water to the river a walker on 23rd October reported that it was delightful to see so many Kingfishers back along the stretch of river beyond the Anchor Inn.

### BACKWATER HABITAT CREATION

During October canoeists and walkers along the stretch of river on the Wiston side of the A134 may have noticed some activity with diggers excavating along the riverbank. Two new backwaters have been created by the Water Management Alliance through Water Environment Grant funding that was secured by the Dedham Vale AONB and Stour Valley Project team. The creation of backwaters will provide sheltered conditions away from the main flow of water in the river and is important for many fish populations during flood conditions as they provide shelter from the full force of water. In summer, the shallow depth of backwaters allows the water to warm and provides ideal conditions for the rapid development of fish fry.



## WATER WATER

There has been much said lately about the state of the river through Nayland, not least the total drying up which turned the river bed into a sort of stony footpath. A picture in the Community Times seemed to suggest this was abnormal but there has always been a poor flow during dry summers as my photo, taken some 30 years ago shows (note the old bus garage).

The CT photo (p.20) shows a tree down across the weir. I thought that landowners on river banks (riparian owners) were responsible for keeping the waterway clear.

It will be interesting to see the rainfall figures for the autumn – it seems it hasn't stopped raining for two months.

Now the river is full excess water appears to find its way onto the A134 at Nags. Suppose we could moan about that!!

*Chris Hunt*





## SEE IT, SNAP IT, SEND IT...

Thank you to everyone who sent in these fabulous photos. View the colour version of the Community Times at: [www.naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk/CommunityTimes.html](http://www.naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk/CommunityTimes.html)  
Do keep scenes you see coming to [@btinternet.com](mailto:lorraine.nayland).



Thank you to Fiona Malby for sending in this photo of the lovely carved pumpkin display at Nayland Fire Station's 'Light Up the Drill Tower' charity event on 2nd November. Hopefully this may become an annual event.

Thanks also to Jan Verrall for taking a moment to capture the scene (below) of her daughters' dog, Mazee, with Nayland's Remembrance soldier.

And to Trevor Smy who took this photo (below left) of a fabulous carved hare in a garden in Stoke Road (which you may enjoy seeing at the next Open Gardens). What a wonderful way to celebrate where a tree had once stood. It is a shame the suggestion was not considered for the Bear Street Copper Beech tree.

Graham Wiles, thank you for being on hand for this scene (right) ..... one moment in October we have no water in our river beds, the next we had rivers on the roads! The bypass (A134) is prone to flooding after heavy rain due to silt build up in the drainage.







# NAYLAND CHRISTMAS CARDS

Karen Freeman has once again painted some Christmas cards, four designs in total, printed by Spingold, which are available to purchase at Forget me Not, 5 Court Street (you may see me sitting outside my front door on a Saturday morning!) and at the Nayland Christmas Fayre on Saturday 7th December.

These cards are being sold in aid of Lizzy's fund (Brain Tumour Charity) and St James' Church Nayland. Cards are being sold in packs of four for £5.

Thank you for your support.



Passers by, including James Carver who kindly sent this photo, stopped to watch this wedding procession (above) on it's way to the village hall in October. It is lovely to see a Suffolk Punch working.

It was all hands on deck, except momentarily for Andora Carver the photographer (below), when the Honeysuckle in Mill Street was removed.

Finally (right), an example in rather inconsiderate parking in Stoke Road was sent in. This is just one of many motorists who does not seem to consider those who many have a push chair or be in a wheelchair - pavements are not for cars.



## NAYLAND MOBILE LIBRARY

**Route 20 : High Street P.O.**  
Saturdays at 10am-11.15am, every four weeks

**7 December - 4 January**  
**1 February - 29 February**

**Route 9 : Parkers Way**  
Saturdays at 3.55pm-4.30pm, every four weeks  
**23 November - 21 December**  
**18 January - 15 February**

Tel: 01473 263838  
[www.suffolklibraries.co.uk](http://www.suffolklibraries.co.uk)





# Nayland with Wissingington Society News



## NAYLAND CHURCH HALL

Treasurer Andrew Gowen 262534

## CHANGES AT THE CHURCH HALL

Rachel Skells has taken over as Treasurer to the Church Hall and will be responsible for all bookings. Her telephone number is 01206 262422 or email: [naylanchurchhall@yahoo.com](mailto:naylanchurchhall@yahoo.com).

The key to the hall is held in a key box at the hall entrance. The code for the key box can be obtained from Dorothy Bishop on 01206 262309 (mob 07900 581347) or from Rachel Skells.

All correspondence concerning the hall, booking forms, payments, etc should be addressed to Rachel Skells at St James Church Hall, 66 Bear Street, Nayland CO6 4HY. They can also be dropped off in the post box beside the entrance to the Hall.

These changes are now reflected on the village Web site. There are no changes to the booking arrangements which you should continue to use if at all possible.

Andrew Gowen, as his final contribution, will be sending out invoices for the period July – December 2019.



## NAYLAND AND DISTRICT ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Secretary: Andrew Gowen 262534 [parkersag@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:parkersag@yahoo.co.uk) Chairman: John Partridge 263733

At our Annual General Meeting on 14th October we were fortunate to have Bryan Smith telling us about the experiences he and Jenny had living in Saudi Arabia. He talked briefly about the Muslim religion, explaining its divergences and that we should not allow ourselves to become biased by the extremists that are currently misinterpreting many of its facets. It was a very good talk.

There were no changes to the organisation of the Branch: Ken Willingale: President, John Partridge: Chairman, David Slater: Vice Chairman, Richard Cave: Treasurer, Chris Hunt: Welfare, Kathy Hunt: Standard Bearer, Mark Shirley: Poppy Appeal Organiser, Andrew Gowen: Secretary.

In his annual report John Partridge felt that the Branch had enjoyed a very productive year with outstanding speakers, interesting visits and well supported meetings. He particularly commended the Branch on its activities to commemorate and celebrate the end of WW1 in November last year. It has been a very good year.

The Poppy Appeal Coffee Morning on the 9th November was a great success and we are so grateful for the contributions and attendance of so many people many from outside the village. We raised £291 for the Appeal.

Our Remembrance Day Services at Wiston and Nayland were well supported and again we are very grateful all those that attended and contributed to the services, particularly Oliver Russel who laid a wreath on behalf of the school and the fire station representative also laid a wreath. David Pryor conducted a moving service and it was good to see St James' Church almost full and the collection achieved just under £400.

Next day, some 20 people took part in a short service led by Rev Mark Woodrow in drizzling rain at 11am around the War Memorial to commemorate Armistice Day. Again it was a moving ceremony and a fine end to our remembrance celebrations.

Our next meeting is at 7.30pm on Monday 13th January 2020 in the Church Hall at which we shall have a short talk on War Memorials. All, including non- Legion members, are welcome; so please come.

### 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF V E DAY

The Royal British Legion is planning to celebrate V E Day in May next year and part of that celebration will be an exhibition in the Village Hall on Saturday 8th May which will be organised by Mary George (262712) and Wendy Sparrow (262820). We would be grateful if members in the village could dig out old photographs and memorabilia going back to that time in 1945 when the village celebrated the end of the war, the return of their men and the conditions in the village that people lived under at that time.

Please let Mary or Wendy know if you have anything we could use. We would look after them and return them afterwards. We need them by the 15th March at the latest. We want to have a good display and do need your help.







## NAYLAND CINEMA

Karen Freeman

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By the time you read this we will have screened our last film for the year. The cinema is very well supported and we have had some excellent films provided by Moviola. We have now received the new Moviola menu for the next quarter; however, as always, any suggestions/recommendations are always welcome. Just a point to be aware of though is that it costs the Village Hall Management Committee quite a bit more to screen a film which is not on the Moviola menu and therefore we would need firm support.

Unfortunately we only received eight completed questionnaires in response to my article in the last edition of the Community Times and all from cinema attenders. It would have been interesting to discover why some people don't use the cinema to give a balanced view.

There were requests for some traditional films/classics and some musicals and we will certainly be starting the new film year on **Friday 10th January** with a true classic, **Dr Zhivago**. Given the great success of the recent Mamma Mia singalong I think musicals are certainly on the agenda, maybe as 'film extras'.

Seven out of the eight responses would like to see works from the National Theatre and this is something Ned is looking into regarding feasibility and costs.

We will certainly look at trying to minimise American films and the subsequent problems these cause around understanding what they say! We won't exclude them totally because of this problem but will utilise the subtitle mode.

The frequency of the films was considered satisfactory with extra films added in addition to the routine once a month screenings for more unusual titles/foreign films.

The Anchor is currently working with its sister pub The Angel to offer some form of discount card to be used at either venue. Any future updates on this scheme will be added to the village website.

There doesn't seem to be a demand for films for children but if there is a particular film which would suit both children and adults then maybe this could be screened as a film extra at a more convenient time for the children.

In addition to our regular film in January we are screening 'The Affair', formerly known as 'Black Tuesday', on Sunday 26th January at 2.30 for 3pm with a traditional afternoon tea. This will be served in the interval by Nicola (Violet the Vintage Caravan) and her helpers with a WWII theme. Prosecco will be available to purchase at the bar.

The film nights are a great social event with an excellent bar provided by Norman. The VHMC would like to thank all those who support the venture with special thanks to Lorraine for the brilliant posters and plugs on social media.

Future dates for the cinema to put in your 2020 diaries are: 21st February, 6th March, 3rd & 17th April.



*Some residents will recall the transformation of Nayland during filming of 'The Affair'*



## VILLAGE PLAYERS

[www.villageplayers.co.uk](http://www.villageplayers.co.uk)



Chair: Justin Dowding 01206 262217 jpdowding@gmail.com

It's just a few more weeks until the Village Players perform 'The Lion in Winter', directed by Jim Bond. We do hope that you'll be able to come along and see it.

Tickets are still available at the Post Office or online at [www.villageplayers.co.uk](http://www.villageplayers.co.uk). We are performing on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 6:30pm and on December 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> at 8pm (Friday and Saturday).

Tickets are just £7.50 for adults and £6.00 for under sixteens. All tickets on the Thursday are £6.00. The door (and bar) will be open thirty minutes in advance of performances. We look forward to seeing you there!

The title of our next play has not yet been finalised – although we are down to a shortlist of two. If you'd like to take part in our next production, why not come along to an audition? We are holding auditions on Sunday 5th January at 5pm and Wednesday 8th January at 7:30pm. The auditions take place at Nayland Church Hall and anyone can come along. You only need come along to one of the auditions, and scripts will be available in advance.

Rehearsals will be twice a week - usually on Wednesdays from 7:30pm - 9:30pm and Sundays from 7pm to 9pm. We will begin rehearsing on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January. The title of the play will be fixed shortly after the *Lion in Winter* has finished.

Our meet-up at the Anchor on Thursdays has been put on hold...not least because many of the regulars are at a choir rehearsal which clashes. We will restart drinks at the Anchor – probably after the AGM in May, when the weather is better.

For more information on the Village Players, including photos of past productions and tickets to upcoming plays, head to [www.villageplayers.co.uk](http://www.villageplayers.co.uk).



*Jackie Grant, John McCarroll & Rebecca Pentney getting into their roles for 'The Lion in Winter'*



## HANDBELL RINGERS

Chris Hunt 262014 or Hazel Gardiner 262582

We continue to meet regularly with our tutor on Tuesday afternoons at 1.45 – 3pm in the Church Hall but 24th December will be our last meeting this year, breaking for Christmas and returning on 7th January. If you are looking for a new interest do come along; handbell ringing is friendly, fascinating and fun. We also make time for a cup of tea!



## NAYLAND CARPET BOWLS CLUB

Chair: Ted Blanchette 07836551032 tedblanchette@tiscali.co.uk

Captain: Mervyn Farthing 01206 851739 mervynpaul@btinternet

As we approach the end of the year the club is progressing well in the Suffolk Carpet Bowls league, almost a third of the fixtures are completed and we are currently in top position, hopefully we can maintain this place.

We also now look forward to our annual end of year supper and social evening which is always an event which all members look forward to.

We look forward to a happy and successful 2020 in the club.

*Mervyn*



## NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Chairman: Mike Hunter 264100  
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Since the last edition of the Community Times, members and guests of the Society have enjoyed two excellent speaker meetings. The October meeting featured Nick Amor who gave a fascinating talk on the Medieval Cloth Industry with special reference to the part that Nayland played during this period. The November meeting, co-hosted with the Horticultural Society, received a talk on the topic of Barn Owls from Steve Piotrowski. Steve's breadth of knowledge was extraordinary and it was of little surprise to learn that he is a published author and environmental consultant.

Our next meeting, which will take place at the Village Hall on the evening of the 9<sup>th</sup> of December at 7.30 pm, will consist of an up-date on the Court Knoll Project by leading archaeologist Jo Caruth. Jo has some significant news to impart arising from the continuing analysis of the finds recovered from the excavations but she has sworn me to secrecy so you will have to attend the meeting to obtain the latest information!

It will be remembered that in June we had a talk from Sarah Cook on the topic of Cedric Morris. Since then, the Society has become aware that Benton End, the historic house occupied by Morris and the place where he founded the East Anglian School of Art (Lucien Freud and Maggi Hambling were two of the students) has been acquired by the Pinchbeck Charitable Trust with the intention of creating a centre for educational excellence in the arts and in horticulture. The Society hopes to arrange a visit to Benton End at some future date but in the meantime if members wish to be kept informed of progress by the Trust you can email [sophie@bentonend.co.uk](mailto:sophie@bentonend.co.uk) and ask to be placed on the mailing list.

Fortunately, the River Stour has recovered from the alarming low levels of July and August and the pressure applied by the Society and others (especially your editor Lorraine Brooks) to the Environment Agency resulted in remedial action to boost the flow. A number of organisations within the village have resolved to request the installation of a river level gauge so that there is an earlier warning of low-level problems in the future.

The Society's Swift Box scheme is progressing satisfactorily with 21 residential properties involved and possibly St. James' Church. The next steps involve obtaining the approval of Babergh District Council to the location and style of the boxes and obtaining an estimate of the cost of installation. It is hoped that the boxes will be ready and waiting for our overseas visitors by next spring!







## BOOK CLUB

Jane Barbrook 263619 janebarbrook@hotmail.com

We have recently finished reading *'The Girl in the Letter'* by Emily Gunnis. When Ivy falls pregnant in the 1950s, she is sent in disgrace to St Margarets, a house for unmarried mothers. Her baby is adopted against her will, and she remains in the house working in a laundry - and she never leaves. While there she writes a series of desperate letters begging for help to get out. These letters were discovered sixty years later by a journalist, who feels compelled to investigate the content further and discovers a spate of unexplained deaths surrounding the young woman and her child.

Our current book is called *'The Poppy Factory'* by Liz Trenow.

New members are welcome to join us and we usually meet every month or so. Please contact Jane Barbrook if you would like any information.



## THE FRIENDS OF CALEY GREEN

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The Friends have continued to keep an eye on the Green. The signs to discourage parking on the Green appear to have helped; they have been removed for the winter. Due to some volunteers moving out of the village and ill health the Friends did not have the man/woman power

to undertake the annual reed reduction this autumn.

The Green has been well used and enjoyed throughout the year by visitors and residents.

Following the issues this summer with water levels in the river, this photo, taken on 18th November, shows another sudden issue with the water levels and further down-river the horseshoe weir ran dry again. This was soon rectified and the Environment Agency advised the cause was debris preventing the flood channel sluice gates being closed properly.

The cygnets spent some time practising flight and five of them flew off on 17th October. Last year the cygnets kept returning for a while and one stayed until spring; this year's cygnets have not returned. One of this year's cygnets has remained with its parents. Gordon the Goose continues to 'hang out' with his feathered friends.



## NAYLAND FIRE STATION

Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service, Fire Station, Bear Street, Nayland

### 27 Years Service at Nayland Fire Station

The Nayland Crew would like to thank Crew Commander Shane Gladwell for 27 years service as an on-call firefighter at Nayland. Nearly three decades of on-call duty is a demonstration of Shane's dedication to the community and his experience and mentorship will be missed by us all at the station. Shane is continuing in the fire service on the crew at Needham Market. The Nayland Crew wish him all the best at his new station and many more years with Suffolk Fire & Rescue Service!



## NAYLAND CHOIR

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With our winter concert *Jubilate* now a fond memory, we look forward to singing in the Carol Service at St James' church on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 6.00pm. This is a big event in the village calendar and the church is always full. Do come and sing with us. We will have two rehearsals on 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> in the school at 8.00pm sharp. On the 19<sup>th</sup> the rehearsal will be short as we will be off to The Anchor to sing Carols and Christmas songs at 9.00 o'clock. If you are not singing in the choir, make your way to the pub that evening for a great sing along.

Then, for your diary, our spring concert will be on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2020 (where does the time go?). Folk music will be the theme. Keep your eyes open for more details especially rehearsal dates if you want to join us. Remember, no audition necessary.

For more information please call 07954334548 or see [naylandchoir.org](http://naylandchoir.org)



## NAYLAND ART GROUP

Daphne Berry 262641

Colin is returning to the group after his spell in hospital ... we look forward to seeing him. Liz and Vall are both doing reasonably well and both have our love and best wishes.

Unfortunately we missed out on the *'Behind the Lines: Alfred Munnings, War Artist'* exhibition but will try to arrange a visit somewhere in the New Year. We have 2 more visits due by our tutors.

Thank you Suzy for organising our Christmas Dinner which will be on 11th December, our last day of term. Our new term commences on Wednesday 8th January.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.



## NAYLAND FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Secretary: Caroline Lowe 263852 caroline.m.lowe@btinternet.com

### Mamma Mia Sing-along and Greek Meal - 7th November

A Smash Hit! What a successful evening. The tickets were sold out 3 weeks in advance and everyone went home with a smile on their face. The diversity of ages was great, the number of men to women was 1 to 5, many people dressed the part while others wore more casual clothes but there was no doubt about it that there was an atmosphere of enjoyment in Nayland village hall with impressive singing voices and dance moves.

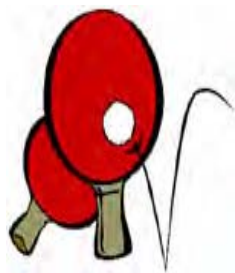
The decorations were Greek themed with blue and white table cloths, Greek flags, bay trees and even a beach scene to help get everyone in the mood. We all enjoyed the moussaka with Greek salad and garlic bread followed by Lemon syllabub. Thank you to our Food Committee led by Olga Alexander who worked so hard to feed so many of us. The bar was open, there was a prize for the best dressed won by Gerry Burns, a Greek themed raffle & the auction of a Greek Picture.

As well as a good evening we were delighted that we raised £2500 for CLIC Sargent. This leading UK Charity provides bespoke and tailored care to each child or young person with cancer who needs them, and their families too.

We would like to thank everyone who helped us or came to support us to make it such a successful evening.



Suzie, Angela, Penny, Adrienne & Suzanne



## TABLE TENNIS CLUB

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The Table Tennis Group meet every Monday including most bank holidays. New members are welcome to join us. Just come along to the Village Hall on Monday afternoons between 2pm and 4pm. Please ring one of the telephone numbers above for more information. No previous experience necessary!



## NAYLAND SURGERY NEWS

Rebecca Renshaw, Practice Manager 01206 262202 creffieldmedicalcentre@nhs.net

We would like to welcome Dr Hilton to our team here at Nayland. Dr Hilton has moved across from our Creffield site.

Christmas is fast upon us, the surgery will be closed both Christmas day and Boxing day and will re-open at 8am on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> December. Also due to the increased demand we would like to inform you the final day to order your prescriptions to ensure collection before Christmas is Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Any request received after this date will not be available until after the Christmas period.

We would like to take the opportunity to remind patients that we require 3 working days to process medication requests. Please note due to North East Essex CCG guidelines we are only able to prescribe medication for 28 days at a time.

We offer a range of appointments at the surgery including pre bookable appointments 7 and 14 days ahead, as well as on the day appointments and telephone calls. Please speak to our reception team who will book you the most appropriate appointment depending on your symptoms.





## NAYLAND AND DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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On the **15th October** Pip Wright our autumn speaker gave a well-attended talk in the Church Hall entitled '*Lucky is the Name*'. Pip is an amusing speaker and the talk followed the fortunes of Lucky Burrows and his Stowmarket farming family over the period 1858 to 1969.

On the 11th November, at the joint meeting with the Conservation Society, Steve Piotrowski gave an interesting talk on '*Barn Owls*'. Steve was a very knowledgeable speaker; explaining many aspects of the breeding and raising of owlets. Eggs are incubated as they are laid and therefore will not hatch together. Owls do not have waterproof feathers and cannot hunt when the weather is bad and when faced with hunger the stronger owlets may eat their younger/weaker siblings. Owl boxes in the Nayland area are being monitored; this year has been particularly successful and there are a good number of owls here.

HortSoc will be having a stall at the Community Council's **Christmas Fayre on Saturday 7th December**, 10.30 to 1 pm in the Village Hall. As usual, donations for HortSoc's raffle would be very much appreciated and can be brought along on the day or left with a committee member.

The Committee have been busy planning the calendar of events for 2020. Here are some dates for your diary:

17th March	Spring Speaker Rob Sherriff ' <i>Growing Cut Flowers alongside nature's visitors</i> '
21st March	Spring Show - <i>schedule on page 42</i>
14th April	AGM and Quiz
9th May	Morning Market
17th June	Coach outing to Kew Gardens
July	Summer Garden Party – venue and date to be announced
1st August	Summer Flower Show



## OVER 60s CLUB

Secretary: Barbara Smith 501492

President: Eva Rolfe 263151

Instead of a meeting in November we enjoyed an outing to Fillpots Garden Centre at Boxted where we had a delicious lunch and did some seasonal shopping.

Our members are looking forward to attending the Christmas Party at Longwood Barn on 12th December kindly organised by Olga Alexander and the Luncheon Club for Over 60s helpers. We do not meet in January so our next Over 60s meeting will be on 13th February. Do pop these dates in your diaries.

More members would be very welcome to come along and enjoy refreshments with us and have a chat and a game of bingo; we meet on the second Thursday of each month in Parkers Way Community Centre at 2.30pm.

*Diana Whiting*



## NAYLAND LUNCHEON CLUB FOR OVER 60s

A Monthly Lunch for Senior Citizens ~ at Longwood Barn ~ 12 noon for 12.30pm ~ £3  
Olga Alexander on 263923

The next lunch will be on Tuesday 29th November, then we look forward to the Christmas Party on Thursday 12th December at Longwood Barn. Looking ahead to the New Year, monthly lunches will be held on Tuesdays; 28th January, 25th February and 31st March.

Do make a note of the dates in your diary and come along and join the friendly atmosphere for a chat with friends, old and new.

If you would like to join us for lunch just phone to let me know. If transport down to Fen Street is difficult telephone Olga Alexander on 263923 to see if we can collect you.



## NAYLAND AND DISTRICT WOMENS INSTITUTE

President: Jeannette Finch 262993

Secretary: Lorna Rumsey 01787 211975

In September we had a very enjoyable trip down the river Orwell, so much so, many ladies requested we do the same next year and Chris Hunt gave a very interesting and informative illustrated talk on '*War Memorials*'; possibly only three villages in Suffolk do not have a war memorial.

At our October meeting, we welcomed members from other local WI's for an evening learning about the '*History of Underwear*'. Lisa Jones gave a very interesting and amusing talk on garments worn through Victorian and Edwardian ages.

On 18th November Peter Jones will be talking on '*Jumbo: the history of Colchester's Water Tower*'. In December, on the 7th the WI will have a table of 'Christmas Goodies' at the Christmas Fayre in the Village Hall from 10.30am-1pm, and on 16th December we will have a musical theme when Brenda Green will entertain us with her guitar, in music and poetry.

Looking ahead, on 20th January Revd Canon David Atkin will be talking on '*What Retirement Makes Possible*' and on 17th February the subject of a talk by Georgina Ambrose from Beacon House will be '*Homelessness and Hope*'. In March we will celebrate the 63rd anniversary of the Nayland branch of the WI with a celebration lunch.

Our meetings are on the third Monday of the month, at 7.30, in Nayland Village Hall, new members and visitors are always welcome.



## THE VILLAGE LUNCH

Jo Murrison 262369

The last Village Lunch on 16 th October raised £723 50 for Village Hall funds. The speaker was Nicholas Charrington of Layer Marney Tower, who gave a most interesting illustrated talk on the history of the Tower and the maintenance and improvements that his family have made since they purchased the Tower in 1959.

Since the first Village Lunch in 2001 we have contributed £18,234 to the Village Hall fund towards equipment and upkeep. Our sincere thanks to all the helpers who have made this possible.

The dates for lunches in 2020 will be Wednesday 22nd April with the speaker Peter Lawrence and Wednesday 21st October with the speaker Mark Mitchels; the subject of the talks are yet to be confirmed. They are both excellent speakers who were very well received when in Nayland previously. Do put these dates in your 2020 diaries.



## SUFFOLK SCHOOL BUS CAMPAIGN

[www.suffolkschoolbus.org](http://www.suffolkschoolbus.org)

In October Cllr Mary Evans announced an independent review into the school transport policy, led by the chief fire officer Mark Hardingham. Having sought further information, it is now clear that the review is first looking only at the implementation of the policy - the process of applying for transport. The review will report on this, then the council will consider if the findings of the review mean that they should make changes to the actual policy. This second stage is fundamentally important but not yet guaranteed - after all the problems parents experienced applying for transport (and the problems the council experienced dealing with their applications) stem from problems created by the policy itself. So our most significant concern about the review is that they should be considering the policy alongside implementation issues. Additionally we are very concerned about whether the review is actually independent (as stated publicly) or just an internal council review (as outlined in the review's terms of reference), and about how the review team are gathering evidence from parents.

However, the review is still a real opportunity to make clear the full impact of this disastrous policy and we in the campaign are doing all that is possible to ensure that the voices of parents, pupils and schools are heard. We asked for a public meeting for parents but this was declined, in favour of a small, closed, meeting to take place in the next four weeks. So in order to ensure that the review team have as much evidence from parents as possible we have set up a short survey. If you are affected by the school transport policy, please fill this in and share with others. Please also fill it in if you will be applying for transport in the next two years. The survey is open until 30th November. (We will publish the results as well as passing them to the review team). <https://suffolkschoolbus.typeform.com/to/DLH9b4>



## NAYLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL : YEAR SIX, THE EAGLES

Mrs Kennedy, Year 6 class teacher

The Eagles have enjoyed being immersed in Tolkien's Middle Earth as they read this term's class book The Hobbit. They have composed music to some of Tolkien's poems; illustrated parts of the book in the style of Tolkien and learned how to draw dragons; written letters of application for the position of burglar; climbed trees to escape the goblins and wolves; created leaflets to advertise Mirkwood as a theme park and have written a continuous diary as Bilbo.

We are now looking forward to our hobbit cooking in the woods, when we will learn how to pluck and prepare pheasants in readiness for our hobbit banquet later in the term.



## NAYLAND SCHOOL CHOIRS

Emma Bishton and Jayne Kennedy

It's been a very busy start to our new singing term with a collaboration with the Kingsland Gospel Choir. Our first concert (at the Night of the Choirs held at Kingsland Church in Lexden) was followed shortly afterwards by another collaboration at St James' Church. The school choir sang some of their own songs as well as collaborating with the Kingsland Choir.

The choir have also started learning songs for their participation in Young Voices at London's O2 in January, as well as preparing for leading singing in school over the festive period. In addition, they are also preparing for a short performance at Nayland Community Council's Christmas Fayre at the beginning of December!!







## NAYLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

naylandhsa@outlook.com

The Christmas Fayre this year, to be held on Friday 13th December at 3.30-6pm, will hopefully be a winter wonderland theme outside. There will be lots of fun and games, santa's grotto, chocolate tombola, raffle, refreshments, and much more. Funds raised by the HSA will pay for a mindfulness day, the refurbishment of the studio, an African dance and drumming workshop as well as sing up.

The HSA recently organised a fantastic Halloween disco for the children, where they dressed up, played games and had hot dogs and sweets.



## Woodland Corner

Administrator: Nicola Peachey 263054  
e-mail: woodlandcorner@outlook.com

Manager: Cheryl Leeks 263054  
<http://woodlandcornernayland.blogspot.com>

behind Nayland Primary School, Bear Street,  
Nayland, Colchester, CO6 4HY

Registered Charity  
No. 1035330

Our theme this term is Autumn/Winter. We have been already been very busy with activities for Halloween, Bonfire Night, making poppies for Remembrance and coming dressed in our pyjamas for Children in Need. We have been visiting Nayland Care Home and spending time doing activities with the residents; they even threw us a Halloween party!

Christmas celebrations will include Christmas jumper day, Christmas dinner, practising and performing our Christmas play and finally enjoying our end of term frozen themed party with a special guest!

Abbie R has been training to be a Forest School leader and has been running her Forest School pilot for the last few weeks. The children have been using and learning about the safe use of different tools, such as hammers, saws and drills and looking at the changes that Autumn has brought to the woodland.

Children on a Wednesday morning have been enjoying Jo Jingles sessions, which include playing different musical instruments, singing and dancing.

Sarah Amos kindly came with two dogs, Maisie and Terry, who showed the children their agility tricks and skills.

Breakfast and after school clubs continue to be busy, the children are loving the football goal and crafts and board games inside now that the weather is getting colder. Both pre-school and extended schools have also been playing in our new, accessible sand pit in the garden.

We hope to see you at the Nayland Community Council Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 7th December. We will have our popular tombola stall, along with some games and glitter tattoos. If you have any donations (unwanted gifts) please drop them up to Woodland Corner.

Please contact us if you would like to look around our wonderful setting, we are now issuing pre-school places for January 2020.



*Clockwise: making poppies for Remembrance, learning at Forest School and a visit from Sarah with her dogs Maisie and Terry*







## NAYLAND BABY & TODDLER GROUP

Leaders: Kate Dunstan 07743 259796 baird\_katherine@hotmail.com  
Anna Easdon 07826 153023 easdownanna@gmail.com



Nayland Baby and Toddler Group is flourishing welcoming new families to the group each week. On the 15th of November the group raised an impressive £100 for Children in Need through donations from those attending. We are extremely grateful to those who kindly contributed.

The group will run until the 13th December when there will then be a short break for Christmas resuming on the 10th January. Please come along and join us for a hot cup of coffee and a treat each Friday morning. There are plenty of toys to keep the kids amused whilst you enjoy a catch up with friends. On the 13th December we will be getting in the Christmas spirit with a special visit from Father Christmas.

If you are new to the area or looking for something fun to do on a Friday morning with your baby or toddler please do join us. It is a great way to meet other families and make friends. Your first visit is free. then £3.50 thereafter. Coffee, tea and cake are served to the parents/carers and healthy snacks to the kids.

The group is run by mums and carers who kindly volunteer their help each week. We are constantly on the look out for any new volunteers, if you are in the position to help out please do contact us on the numbers above.

Nayland Baby and Toddler Group is located in Nayland Village Hall, every Friday morning during term time from 9:30 - 11:15am.

Please check our Facebook page 'Nayland Baby & Toddler Group' for any updates and announcements.



## MESSY CHURCH

Churches of Nayland, Wiston, Leavenheath, Polstead, Stoke by Nayland

For further information: Revd Mark Woodrow 262150

All members of the family welcome for fun art and craft activities, games, stories and singing based around informal worship followed by afternoon tea.

We have had a great turnout for our last two Messy Church sessions. On 29th September the theme was *Harvest - The Food We Eat* and the children had lots of fun making their own tea! On 27th October we held our now annual *Light Party* where we had music, dancing, dressing up and party games. As well as pumpkin bowling and face painting everybody got stuck in to the food based challenges including doughnut eating without using hands or licking lips and picking a chocolate covered apple - or onion...! Reverend Mark did seem to be rather unlucky on the onion front!!

Our next Messy Church is on Sunday 24th November when we will be in Stoke by Nayland Village Hall looking forward to Christmas with lots of Advent themed activities including an edible Advent ring!

We will then have our Christmas break and be back on Sunday 26th January 2020 when we will be Christdingleing.

Please put the dates in your diary and come and join us from 4pm to 6pm - It's church but not as you know it! Suitable for all ages, no pre-registration required.







## THE FRIENDS OF ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NAYLAND

Registered Charity Number 1052641

Chairman: Alan Edwards 262800 alan@edwards-online.net

Our programme of events in St James' finished with the recital by Dr Gillian Ward Russell. Her playing was enthusiastically received by the audience, many of whom had also come to the Julian Larkin Recital. While the two programmes differed enormously in style and content, what many noted was the huge variety of differing sounds which these expert organists can produce from "our" organ.

We now know why "Pulling out all the Stops" is used as an expression of variety. The Gospel concert, aided by Nayland Primary School Choir was also well supported and enjoyed by the large audience.

We intend mounting a similar programme of events in St James' for the summer of 2020 - watch this space!

The Friends would like to thank all those who came along to the various events for their support. After all costs, we made a profit of nearly £1,000 which will be devoted to the cost of re-ordering the pews in front of the servery.

Finally, we hope to see many Friends at the Candlelit Carol Service on 22nd December at 6.30pm. As usual, a very traditional service of lessons and carols involving as many of the local community as we can. And, mince pies and wine at the end!! We hope to fill St James' again. A Collection will be taken for the Friends.



## VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Registered Charity No 304 928

Chairman: Iain Wright 263646

Secretary: Christine Thompson 262825



### OCTOBER COMMITTEE MEETING

#### MATTERS ARISING & HOUSEKEEPING BOOK

- The Comments Book was checked. The front door lock is very stiff. This will be looked into.
- The Calendar (monthly tasks) was not available at the meeting. It will be checked and any actions emailed to the committee.
- Calendar October: Pay Babergh our alcohol licence, fire alarm check, garden autumn working warty. health and safety check (annual), changing rooms steam cleaned shower heads cleaned, electrical lights inspection.
- Calendar November: fire alarm check, inventory check.
- Calendar December: send quarterly bills to village societies, fire alarm check, fire equipment check to be arranged, quarterly inspection of the hall, external maintenance for the following year to be decided, gutters cleared.
- The monthly fire check for October was carried out. No problems were found.

#### HALL MATTERS AND MAINTENANCE

- The sample of paint sent to Dulux by was initially lost by them but when found and analysed the report did not correlate with the conditions from where the sample had been taken (i.e. filler present) A sample will be resent. Iain Wright will contact Kent Blaxill for expert opinion on the flaking paint.
- The bar shutter and the problems with the accelerator bar which have caused the bar to come down involuntarily was discussed. The conclusion was to have the shutter serviced and review the outcome of this service.

#### ROOF REPLACEMENT & FUNDRAISING

- A reply from the VAT office has been received, confirm the procedure for re-claiming VAT.
- Babergh Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) team requested more details on the scheme. Iain Wright will obtain the further information necessary to satisfy Babergh and pass it to Patricia Fuller to submit.

### CLASSES & GROUPS IN THE VILLAGE HALL

- Mondays: 9.30 Acrylic Painting, 2pm Table Tennis
- Wednesdays: 10am Fun Dancing, 7pm Carpet Bowls Club
- Thursdays: 10am Supple Fit, 11am Active Fit,
- Fridays: 9.30am Baby & Toddler Group, 11.45 Zumba Fitness

Further details of these classes are available on the village hall bookings website via [www.naylandandwiston.net](http://www.naylandandwiston.net).

- Iain Wright will discuss additional fundraising events on the playing field with the Community Council.
- Additional fundraising ideas, something different, are needed.
- Race nights at the VH are very successful and Iain Wright will contact Robert and Roy Chapman to discuss this idea.
- Some villagers who had previously pledged funds for the Post Office are willing to divert these funds to the VH roof replacement fund.

#### BOOKINGS & WEBSITE

- Christine Thompson has now resumed Booking Secretary duties.
- Nothing was identified to discuss regarding the website.

#### CINEMA

- We continue to attract reasonable sizes of audiences which enables the cinema to run at a modest profit.
- The possibility is being investigated of obtaining a link to the Royal Opera House and, perhaps, other London venues, to show certain performances locally.
- A fundraising 1940s Tea Party with Prosecco and screening of the film 'The Affair' is being planned for Sunday 26th January.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

- COIF Endowment £14,744, COIF £19,174, Bank £5,782, Cash £441, Assets £15,581, Debtors £0.
- The grant of £779.99 from the Community Council towards funding the replacement cooker is yet to be received.

#### NEXT MEETING

- The next meeting will be on **Monday 25th November** at 7.30pm will be downstairs in the bar area.
- There will be no meeting in December. We will meet on 6th January.

**The Village Hall Management Committee  
would very much appreciate some  
new members joining us.**

We meet once a month in the meeting room of the hall for a couple of hours on the first Monday of the month.

If you feel you can give a little of your time to keep this community facility prospering for the mutual benefit of the whole village, please contact any member of the VPMC.



## Garden Notes

by *The Old Muckspreader*

A year ago we celebrated the successful colouring of the Scarlett Oaks; this year the colour has been even better. Now the leaves have all fallen and the branches are bare.

The English Oaks are only just beginning to fall, and will soon be safely gathered in (as the Harvest Hymn says).

At M/S Hall we operate a three year cycle for leafmould; the wire pen recently cleared out (mostly by a kind friend) is now being refilled with this year's fall. The leafmould removed from it will provide a useful soil conditioner, but hasn't much nutritional value.

Although Nayland has already suffered several frosts and plants, such as Dahlias, destroyed (for the season), here on the higher ground they still survive if not longer actually in flower. But as one clan bows out, for the season another is ready to take its place. There are several shrubs which do their stuff in winter. The yellow Winter Jasmine is one, and its flowers have already started to appear. Next comes the Witch Hazel, Hamamelis Mollis, which produces both flower and scent. Unfortunately the OM/S made the mistake many years ago, of buying a red-flowered variety; this doesn't show up anything like as well as the ordinary yellow one. Finally, don't despise the so-called Christmas Box, the Sarcococcas. S. Digyna is probably the best as it's more free flowering. They are best planted near the house as one then gets the full value of its scent.

Last year the OM/S went out to his favourite Holly bush, usually covered with berries, at this time of year, to find that the birds had scoffed the lot. This year we took no chances and picked some early, but even if kept in a plastic sack (to protect from mice) it may not keep its berries until Christmas.

### WORDSEARCH: *Christmas interest plants*

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AMARYLIS	HOLLY	NARCISSI
AZALEA	HYACINTH	POINSETTIA
CYCLAMEN	IVY	SKIMMIA

### A few seasonal crackers....

1. What is the common name of Helleborus niger?
2. When you considered a popular Christmas wine?
3. Who made Christmas trees popular in England?
4. What Christmas decoration might be found growing in an apple tree?
5. Galanthus nivalis is better known as what?

Wordsearch words may be horizontal, vertical, or diagonal and forward or backwards  
**Solutions on page 46**

### SPOT THE DIFFERENCE: *Find 10 differences*



### ANAGRAMS: *A tippie is found in these festive delights*

- 6 SKATICREMACHS 2 words
- 7 WELLDUNIME 2 words
- 8 NBYUTRBARETD 2 words
- 9 DUPPGLINDUM 2 words
- 10 RHIYRESFRELT 2 words
- 11 NOFREEF!HETCH 4 words



## ANOTHER SCHOOL TRANSPORT PROBLEM

The recent changes to Suffolk County Council's policy for school transport have caused a great deal of controversy and concern for some parents in Nayland and it is to be hoped that the promised review will bring a satisfactory conclusion for all concerned.

This is not the first time that parents in Nayland have been at loggerheads with the County Council about transport for their children. Almost 70 years ago a lack of transport was the cause of a similar problem for parents. A press cutting from the Essex County Standard newspaper dated 15th September 1950 was headlined: **"PARENTS STRIKE FOR PUPILS' SAFETY"**.

The children involved, all over the age of 11, should have been attending the school at Stoke-by-Nayland to which they had been transferred from Nayland County Primary School. Up to this time Nayland children had completed their education at the old Victorian school behind the Church which in future would be for children under 11 only. It was not long after this change, however, that because of the deteriorating state of the building, the County Council decided to build a new Primary School in Bear Street which opened in 1957.

The parents of the 51 children who were transferring to the school at Stoke-by-Nayland in 1950 protested to the Council that their children would have to walk to school along a dangerous road. Mr William Pitts, speaking on behalf of the 38 parents, suggested that transport should be arranged for the safety of the children, describing the road as very dangerous with bad and blind corners and no footpaths. Parents were not saying the distance was too far for the children to walk and if there was a safe path no objections would be raised. He said he would seek the aid of the Road Safety Committee to help forward the parents' claim.

The Education Committee stated that the majority of the children lived within the statutory walking distance as laid down in the Education Act of 1944 and the few pupils who lived over this distance came within the regulations whereby bicycles were the means of transport. The committee could not make a special concession to Nayland children as it would be unfair to other pupils who were already attending school under similar conditions. The Sudbury & Woodbridge MP, the Hon. John Hare, became involved and the Chief Education Officer suggested to him that Nayland children using bicycles should walk their cycles through the churchyard to avoid the dangerous stretch of road. However, the parents insisted that the greater part of the road was too dangerous for the children to cycle over.

When the Autumn Term started in September the parents kept their children away from the Stoke school and continued to send them to the old Nayland school behind the church but they were refused admission. The children all went home again and didn't mind at all as this meant they were having an extension to their summer holidays.

Mr Leslie Amos, who drove the bus which took under 11s from Leavenheath to Nayland School had one child attending Nayland School and another who should go to Stoke-by-Nayland. After referring to the dangers of the road he said "It's no good telling 50 children how to behave on the road because there will always be some who do the other thing". Looking at the falling rain Mr Amos added "There is no shelter at all on the road and look at the weather this morning".

It seems that one pupil, Maudie Hills who was 11 and lived in Wiston, was provided with a cycle by the Education Committee to make the journey to Stoke but her mother said "she can't ride a cycle. She has never been on one in her life. Even if she could I would not let her ride those five dangerous miles."

A later press cutting said the County Council could issue summonses against the Nayland parents who had been keeping their children away from Stoke-by-Nayland School. No decision had yet been reached because the Education Committee said the children were trickling back to school in two and threes but they wouldn't be given much longer. However, Mr Pitts revealed that the children had in fact returned to school in a private coach hired by Mr David Mitchell, one of the parents. They were still fighting the committee for transport but Mr Pitts said: "We have got the bus because we believe that the children's education is important and also because of their health. Only one child went back, without her mother's permission. Apart from that one case all the parents were still 100 per cent behind the strike. We shall be able to fight for transport better if the children are at school than if they are staying away."

How did this problem end? Sadly, despite this valiant attempt by the parents of the Nayland children the Education Committee would not give way and no transport was provided. The children did find their way to school, many of them cycling, but - I wonder what happened to Maudie in Wiston?

**Wendy Sparrow, Parish Recorder**

[With thanks to Adrian Amos who gave me the press cutting some years ago]



The picture shows some of the Nayland 11 plus boys sitting on the wall of their old school behind the church having been refused admission. From left to right: Pat Lock, Adrian Amos, John Oakes, Graham Cansdale, Albert Fryer, Derek Spooner, Gerald Nevard, Paul Spooner, Noel Carter, Peter Crisell.



## ANTIQUES EVENING

In October a very successful Antiques Evening in aid of Cancer Research UK was held in the Village Hall. James Grinter and Jonathan Benson of Reeman & Dansie of Colchester entertained an audience by providing expert descriptions and valuations of items brought by those attending.

It turned out to be very instructive and, indeed, fun with some good news and some not so good !!

Just over £1,000 was raised which was another example of the generous support this Charity receives from the village of Nayland. Cancer Research UK is extremely grateful for the continued interest in events organised locally.

*Robert and Roy Chapman*



## ST JAMES' CHURCHYARD WORKING PARTY

The autumn churchyard working party on 19th October was very successful and well supported; it was lovely to have some new faces coming along to help. As can be seen in the photo we were helped by the dry weather. Grateful thanks to all who took part.

*James Carver*



## VILLAGE HALL GARDEN WORKING PARTY

A dedicated bunch of volunteers braved the wet weather to come along to help tidy the gardens for autumn. Many thanks to you all, it is very much appreciated. Hopefully for the Spring session the weather will be more inviting.



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We look forward to seeing you - again!



**But we are only here until Christmas**



## ROY EVANS

Known for his kindness, generosity, understanding, humour, and always looking for the good in people, Roy Evans of The Westerings passed away on 14th September. He was a beloved husband to Jean, doting father to Michael and Jane and was never happier than when he was among his six grandchildren.

Roy was born in the small village of Drefach Velindre in West Wales but after the tragic death of his mother in childbirth to his brother he went to live with his grandmother in the village of Rhandirmwyn. After teacher training college in Carmarthen he took up various teaching posts in the London area.

It was while he was teaching at Clockhouse School in Romford that he met Jean; love blossomed and they married in 1955 in Jean's home village of LLyswen in mid-Wales. They lived in Romford until Roy was appointed headmaster of St George's Junior School in Colchester and they moved to Nayland.

Roy loved the 22 years spent at St George's. He was dedicated to the education of all the children who passed through the school, treating each and every one of them the same regardless of their ability. He was always delighted to meet ex-pupils and listen to their stories.

The move to Nayland put Roy back into the rural life that he had so enjoyed in his childhood. He had a particular love of Nayland Nature Reserve at the end of the garden. He enrolled the family in the Colchester Natural History Group and at every opportunity they went on the organised field trips, rapidly increasing their knowledge of wildlife, especially birds. Roy developed lifetime friendships with many of the natural history experts in the area and served on the committee of Colchester Natural History Group for many years.

Roy loved living in Nayland and as an early resident of the newly built Heights estate was keen to draw the community together. He was an active member of the church and became a stalwart on car parking duties at the annual Church Fete. Roy was a valued member of the executive committee of Nayland with Wissington Community Council for 20 years, including as Vice Chairman and Vice President, offering sound advice and always willing to do anything to assist with fundraisers such as street fayres and dances and annual events like Bonfire Night, Christmas Fayre and putting up the Nayland Christmas tree. Together he and Jean gave 20 years dedicated commitment to leading the distribution of the Community Times.

One of his particular enjoyments was having an allotment, believing that manual labour would be rewarded with greater and more satisfying crops. Roy was a keen sportsman, playing rugby, football, cricket and badminton in his youth. He loved his Welsh Rugby, very rarely missing an opportunity to watch the national side on the television. In later years golf became his passion and many friends were made at Newton Green Golf Club among a band of golfers known as 'The Old and The Bold' whose mantra was 'however poor a round you were playing, never let it spoil a good walk'!

Roy was a true gentleman, a passionate educator, an enthusiastic naturalist, an average golfer, and a proud Welshman! His life was long with never a moment wasted... it was a good life and he will be missed by many.



Roy with his wife Jean (top) and manning the raffle at the Nayland Christmas Fayre with Ken Willingale (below).

## COMMUNITY LITTERPICK

Eight villagers braved miserable weather conditions to participate in the Autumn Village Litter Pick on the 26th of October.

Although the numbers participating were on the low side the good news is that most of the pickers found that amount of rubbish to be collected was significantly lower than usual.





# FIVE PARISHES CHURCH SERVICES: DECEMBER & JANUARY

Nayland, Wiston, Leavenheath, Stoke by Nayland & Polstead

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Priest / Leader</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Priest / Leader</i>
<b>24<sup>th</sup> November</b> <i>Christ the King</i>	8.00am	Stoke	HC 2	Revd Mark Woodrow	10.00am	Stoke	MP	David Rowe
	10.00am	Nayland	HC 1	Revd John Fowler	4.00pm	Stoke VH	Messy Ch.	Messy Church Team
	10.00am	Leavenheath	HC 1	Revd Mark Woodrow	6.30pm	Wiston	Evensong	David Pryor
<b>1<sup>st</sup> December</b> <i>Advent Sunday</i>	8.00am	Nayland	HC 2	Revd Mark Woodrow	10.00am	Wiston	MP	Derek Johns
	10.00am	Polstead	HC 1	Revd Canon Phillips Banks	6.30pm	Stoke	Evensong	Jane Addis
	10.00am	Leavenh. VH	First Sunday	First Sunday Team				
<b>8<sup>th</sup> December</b> <i>Advent 2</i>	8.00am	Stoke	HC 2	Revd Mark Woodrow	5.00pm	Leavenheath	Lessons/Carols	Revd Mark Woodrow
	10.00am	Wiston	HC 1	Revd Mark Woodrow	6.30pm	Nayland	Evensong	Kathy Hunt
	10.00am	Polstead	MP	Pauline Hatch				
<b>15<sup>th</sup> December</b> <i>Advent 3</i>	8.00am	Wiston	HC 2	Revd Mark Woodrow	10.00am	Nayland	MP	Kathy Hunt
	10.00am	Stoke	HC 1	Revd Mark Woodrow	6.30pm	Leavenh. VH	Ev Praise	Evening Praise Team
	10.00am	Polstead	family@polstead	Family Service Team				
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> December</b> <i>Advent 4</i>	8.00am	Stoke	HC 2	Revd Mark Woodrow	10.00am	Stoke	MP	David Rowe
	10.00am	Nayland	HC 1	Revd John Fowler	6.30pm	Nayland	Lessons/Carols	Revd Mark Woodrow
	10.00am	Leavenheath	HC 1	Revd Mark Woodrow				
<b>24<sup>th</sup> December</b> <i>Christmas Eve</i>	3.00pm	Stoke	Crib Service	Jane Addis	5.00pm	Polstead	Carols/Crib	Revd Valri Armstrong
	3.45pm	Leavenheath	Carols/Crib	David Rowe	6.30pm	Stoke	Carols/Crib	Revd Mark Woodrow
	4.30pm	Nayland	Carols/Crib	Revd Mark Woodrow	11.30pm	Nayland	Midnight Mass	Revd Mark Woodrow
<b>25<sup>th</sup> December</b> <i>Christmas Day</i>	9.30am	Nayland	F Eucharist	Revd Mark Woodrow	11.00am	Polstead	F Eucharist	Revd Valri Armstrong
	9.30am	Leavenheath	F Eucharist	Revd Valri Armstrong	11.00am	Stoke	F Eucharist	Revd Mark Woodrow
	9.30am	Wiston	F Eucharist	Revd John Fowler				
<b>29<sup>th</sup> December</b> <i>Christmas 1</i>	8.00am	Nayland	HC 2	Revd Valri Armstrong	6.30pm	Polstead	Evensong	David Pryor
	10.30am	Stoke	Deanery HC1	Revd Mark Woodrow				
<b>5<sup>th</sup> January</b> <i>Epiphany</i>	8.00am	Nayland	HC 2	Revd Mark Woodrow	10.00am	Wiston	Epiphany Carols	Derek Johns
	10.00am	Polstead	HC 1	Revd Mark Woodrow	6.30pm	Stoke	Evensong	Jane Addis
	10.00am	Leavenh. VH	First Sunday	First Sunday Team				
<b>12<sup>th</sup> January</b> <i>Baptism of Christ</i>	8.00am	Stoke	HC 2	Revd Mark Woodrow	10.00am	Polstead	MP	Derek Johns
	10.00am	Wiston	HC 1	Revd Mark Woodrow	6.30pm	Nayland	Evensong	Kathy Hunt
	10.00am	Leavenheath	MP	David Rowe				
<b>19<sup>th</sup> January</b> <i>Epiphany 2</i>	8.00am	Wiston	HC 2	Revd Mark Woodrow	10.00am	Nayland	MP	David Pryor
	10.00am	Stoke	HC 1	Revd Mark Woodrow	6.30pm	Leavenh. VH	Ev Praise	Evening Praise Team
	10.00am	Polstead	family@polstead	Family Service Team				
<b>26<sup>th</sup> January</b> <i>Epiphany 3</i>	8.00am	Stoke	HC 2	Revd Mark Woodrow	10.00am	Stoke	MP	Derek Johns
	10.00am	Nayland	HC 1	Revd Mark Woodrow	4.00pm	Stoke VH	Messy Ch.	Messy Church Team
	10.00am	Leavenheath	HC 1	Revd Valri Armstrong	6.30pm	Wiston	Evensong	Revd Mark Woodrow
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> February</b> <i>Candlemas</i>	8.00am	Nayland	HC 2	Revd Mark Woodrow	10.00am	Wiston	MP	Derek Johns
	10.00am	Polstead	HC 1	Revd Mark Woodrow	6.30pm	Stoke	Evensong	Jane Addis
	10.00am	Leavenh. VH	First Sunday	First Sunday Team				

Key: FC : Family Communion, HC 1 : Holy Communion Contemporary, HC 1 : Holy Communion, HC 1tr : Holy Communion Traditional, FS : Family Service, PC : Parish Communion, MP : Morning Prayer, MW : Morning Worship, MS : Morning Service, EP : Evening Prayer, Ev Praise : Evening Praise, F Eucharist : Family Eucharist *Note: Worship leaders may be subject to change*

## Other Dates for your Diary

Saturday 30th November Nayland Choir '*Jubilate*' Concert St James' Church  
 Wednesday 4th December Children and Tots Swap Shop 10am-12noon St James' Church  
 Thursday 12th December Littlegarth School Carol Service 6.30pm at St James' Church  
 Tuesday 17th December Nayland Primary School Carol Service 6pm at St James' Church  
 Wednesday 18th December Carols Around the Christmas Tree in the High Street with the Boxted Silver Band at 7.30pm [page 14]  
 Sunday 22nd December Candlelit Carol Service at St James at 6.30pm [page 14 & 33]



**Dear Friends,**

Christmas should be a time of great joy and real celebration for everyone. But many people struggle through it - getting into debt, feeling pressurised or stressed, guilty or lonely - and unable to participate fully in the meaning of Christmas.

As a benefice I am proud that all of our 5 churches have been awarded Bronze Eco-Church awards, but recently I was reading about Christmas Crackers that were recyclable and didn't include the usual rubbish plastic gift, and this has led me to wonder if how we celebrate during the upcoming festivities, with its focus on shopping and consuming means a huge amount of money, energy use and waste, which inevitably will result in damaging the earth and may ultimately end up in a landfill site, all at the very time when we should be celebrating God's relationship with the earth, as witness through and in the Incarnation of Jesus.

So this Advent and Christmas why not challenge yourself to consider the 3 R's:

- **Rediscover** the values of the Mary's song, the Magnificat - 'he has lifted up the humble and filled the hungry with good things'
  - **Remember** the simplicity and meaning of the Incarnation, with the freedom, joy and peace that is offered in the coming of the Messiah
  - **Resist** the excesses of consumerism, which cause many people to incur unpayable debts and cause such harm to creation.
- And if you want to enjoy a meaningful and perhaps even a little more Eco-Friendly Christmas this year, here are a few ideas:
- Arrange with family and friends to give something that you each own to each other and give the money you would have spent on presents to charity.
  - Purchase presents from charity shops - buying second hand is as important as giving away your old things to the shop.
  - Give hand-made presents - and think or pray about the person as you make it.
  - If you do buy new, buy minimally-earth-damaging things like books or fair-trade items and whenever possible steer clear of plastic.
  - Ask people what they want before you buy them something that they don't need.
  - Give gifts of charity or of your time
  - Buy and shop locally when you can.
  - For Christmas Dinner if you are able why not also buy organic and free range.
  - Get up half an hour earlier during Advent to think about the real meaning of Christmas (for inspiration go online and search #FollowTheStar).
  - Why not join us in Church this Advent... and avoid the Christmas rush! You might be surprised at what you discover.

I wish you all a blessed Advent and Christmas,

**Mark,** The Revd Mark Woodrow

## Church News

### HARVEST FESTIVAL AT ST MARY'S CHURCH WISTON



With St Mary's decorated in its wonderfully traditional way, worshippers were welcomed to our evensong service on 29th September, which was led by Derek Johns.

The 2019 Wiston Harvest Festival service raised £135 for RABI (Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution).

Following the service, we all transferred into the neighbouring barn, kindly lent by George and Fiona Storey, where we enjoyed a chat with drinks and nibbles.



### CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Donations would be gratefully received towards flowers for decorating St James' Church for Christmas and throughout the year. They can be given to Jo Murrison (262369), 11 Fen Street or Jeannette Finch, Rose Cottage, Fen Street.

Donations towards Christmas flowers for St Mary's Wiston would also be welcomed. These can be given to Fiona Storey.

Many thanks to all our flower arrangers who keep our churches looking so welcoming throughout the year.

### CHURCH CONTACT DETAILS ON PAGE 47

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### FROM THE REGISTERS



### DEATHS

Roy Evans

### WISTON CHURCH PORCH BOOKS

Do call into the church porch and browse through the selection of second-hand books - autobiographies, cookery, children's, fiction, and non-fiction.

### Other Services and Groups

#### MESSY CHURCH

Messy Church is held on Sundays (usually the last Sunday) at 4pm-6pm. Messy Church are: 24th November and 26th January at Stoke village hall. There is no Messy Church in December. See page 32 for further details.

**COFFEE, CAKE & CONVERSATION:** Wednesday Mornings 10am to noon at St James'. Join with us for coffee, tea, cakes and conversation in an informal atmosphere with others from our local community. Everyone welcome.

**WEEKDAY PRAYER:** Morning Prayer is held on Tuesdays at 8.30am at St Matthew's Leavenheath. All are welcome.

## CLIMATOLOGICAL & WEATHER REPORT: Nayland 2019 August to October

### Introduction

By way of background, my weather data is sourced from a Davis VP2 System that I have had at Hollies for just over 12 years. The data from this allows a measure of annual comparison.

The data from the several instruments feeds through wirelessly to my PC, on which Weatherlink software records it. This also permits some basic analysis – but not on an overall monthly by year format that is needed for a monthly report. I have to extract this individually, in most cases.

I then assemble this data on Excel spreadsheets for each month. If anyone would like the full data for each month to supplement the commentary that follows, please contact me at the email address that I have added at the end.

### AUGUST

Normally my reports will be for the preceding two months, but this time, I am going to begin with August, as I did not have time to do it justice when taking on my role for the last issue.

August also sets a useful background context as a summer month, before we move into autumn. It can also be the warmest month, though normally this falls to July. This was the case this year – with mean temperature for July being 18.7°C and August, 18.4°C. August was the warmest in the past 12 years, pipping 2009 by 0.2°C. It also had the highest max temperature of 31.9°C, pipping 2016 by 0.3°C. The lowest temperature recorded was 8.2°C, about average.

Unsurprisingly, there were no ground frosts in August (there have been none in this month over the 12 year period). The mercury failed to reach 20°C on only 2 days. 25°C was exceeded on a record 25 days and 30°C on an equal record, 3 days. Bright sun hours were 235 – marginally beaten only by 2013.

Rainfall was 40mm, below the monthly average of 63.66 mm and the second lowest over the period. August often combines warmth with some heavy deluges – but the latter were missing this year.

August 2019 had the second highest wind gust of 36mph and the highest average wind speed of the 12 years of 4.2mph. All that warm air was arriving fast!

August had a cloudier, wetter spell from the 9th to the 18th – but the improvement after that 'turned the month round'. The jet stream was unsurprisingly over the UK during the 9-18 period – but was otherwise disrupted. Atlantic low pressure was prevalent in the wet period – otherwise high pressure was just to the south and south east.

### SEPTEMBER

As to be expected, September saw a noticeable drop in mean temperature from August's 18.4°C to 14.9°C. This is a little over the monthly average of 14.57°C. Max temperature was 25.3°C – beaten in 5 of the last 12 years. Lowest max on the 9th of 13.9 was the second coldest. 16 days over 20°C was second highest. Bright sun hours of 174 was well down on August, but the highest for September.

Monthly rain was up – to 52.6mm – over the average of 42.14. This fell at a rate of 153.6mm/hr on 27th for a time – that is nearly 5x the Met Office white downpour rate of 32mm/hr. Normally these downpours occur when Atlantic cold fronts advance into accumulated heatwave air in July and August, but this can occur in September and, occasionally, October. September actually holds the record for these downpours – a massive 261.4mm/hour in

September 2014. That is over 8x the Met Office downpour rate! Normally when it rains, this is at less than 2mm/hr!

The September rain was sufficient to get water flowing over the Horseshoe Weir again, which has continued since.

Average wind speed was up from 4.2 in August to 4.7mph, the highest for September. Both the past two years have been considerably higher than previously, when the highest figure reached was 2.9. The highest gust was 32mph – a bit over average an short of the 2017 record of 37, and only 1mph over the highest August figure.

The jet stream was all over the place this month – sometimes to the south, sometimes to the north – and sometimes right over. So low pressure systems and their associated fronts were never far away. In the circumstances, we did as well to score with temperatures as well as we did!

### OCTOBER

October took a turn for the colder, with a mean temperature of 11°C – second equal lowest over the period. The highest temp of 19.6°C was below the average and the lowest temp – 0.6°, equal lowest. The first ground frost occurred on the 28th. Only one ground frost in the month – average 1.25 – max 5 in 2008, 4 in 2011, and none 2012-2017. 14 days failed to reach 15°C and none reached 20°C, which is achieved more often than not. In 2011 and 2018 there were 7 days over 20°C. In 2011, remarkably, the first three days of the month scored 27.6, 28.8 and 27.3! These temps would have been a credit to September – and in some years, July and August!

Bright sunshine hours were 70.8, 9 less than average. It is 103 hours less than September – a good bit less than half!

Monthly rain was 89.8mm, well above the average of 52.61. We had one day of 25.4mm (only one over 10 and 20mm) on the 5th – and a rainfall rate of 117.6mm/hr on 17th - the highest ever in October, and when rainfall rates are on a significantly decreasing trend.

Average wind speed was 4.9mph, above average – and notice the increasing average wind strength as the year advances. Highest gust was 29mph, a little below average.

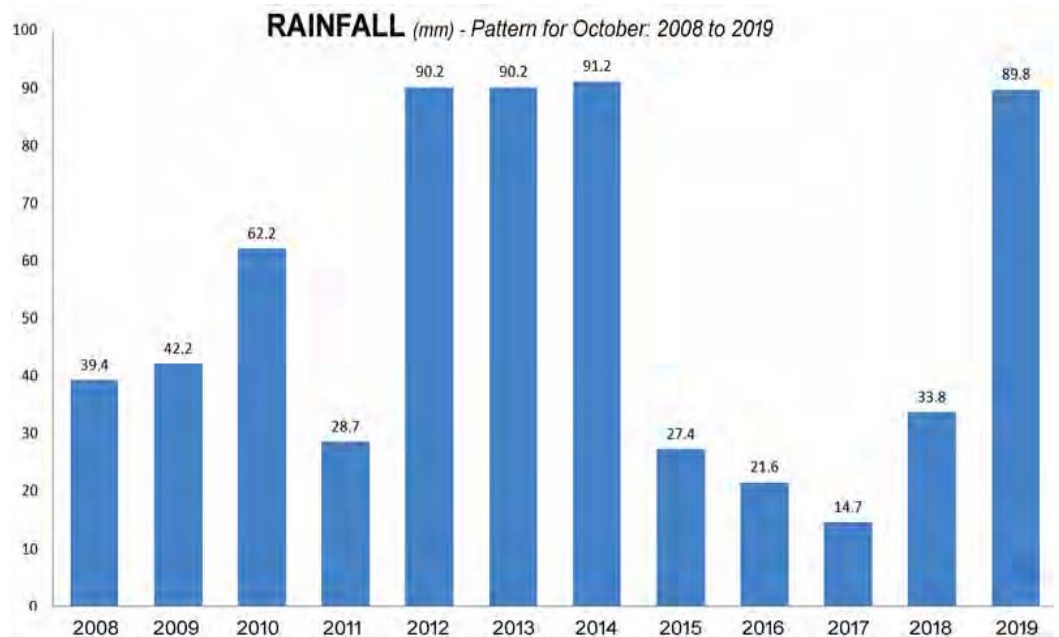
The jet stream was over the country for most of the month, steering copious low pressure systems and fronts our way.

### CONTACT:

For those who would like the full monthly stats for August, September and October, my email address is [david.lowe@dcandcmilowe.net](mailto:david.lowe@dcandcmilowe.net)

Also, my weather station is now online, so it is possible to view the weather in pretty much real time. Contact me at the email address above if you would like to know how to connect.

**David Lowe**





## SMALL ADVERT COLUMN

Nayland and Wiston residents may place free adverts for items valued under £50, items £50 and over are charged £5. Contact: Lorraine Brooks 262807 [lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com](mailto:lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com)

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## Dedham Vale Society Winter Lecture

### “A Right Royal Talk”

James Grinter

Managing Director Reeman Dansie Auctioneers

**Monday 2nd December**

8pm - Assembly Rooms, Dedham

Admission £5 including wine

## REAL CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

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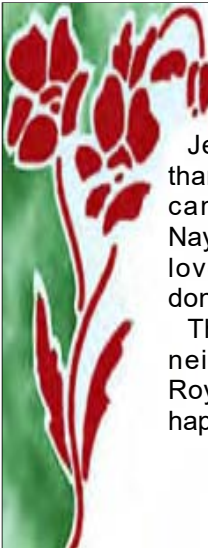
If you don't - not a problem - you can recycle your tree at any of our collection points. Details of Babergh Christmas tree collection points will be available soon at: <https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/waste-services/collection-days/christmas-collections/>

Large trees (more than 7 ft tall, 3 inch trunk) can only be collected via a collection point or at any of Suffolk's household recycling centres.

The nearest to Nayland are:

- **Sudbury:** Sandy Lane, Sudbury, CO10 7HG (off Bulmer Road, Ballingdon Hill - A131)
- **Hadleigh:** Crockett Road, Hadleigh, IP7 6RD (off Lady Lane Industrial Estate)

More info at: <https://www.suffolkrecycling.org.uk/>

## Thank You

Jean, Michael and Jane would like to thank very sincerely the 100 people who came to Roy's funeral at St James' Nayland. For all the very kind cards and lovely letters and the very generous donations for the Alzheimer's Society.

Thank you all for being such wonderful neighbours and friends and making Roy's time in Nayland since 1967 such happy years.

Thank you all very sincerely ,

**Jean Evans & family**



## Thank You

Peggy and Stan Scott would like to thank all of their family, friends and neighbours for helping them to celebrate their recent Diamond Wedding Anniversary.

They were overwhelmed with the amount of love shown to them. Beautiful memories have been made.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

**Peggy and Stan xx**

**Babergh District Council**  
Waste and Recycling



## Christmas & New Year Bin Collection Schedule 2019-2020

Please ensure your bins are presented by 6.30am on the day of collection

	Usual Collection	Revised Collection	Change
Refuse	Monday 23rd December	Monday 23rd December	None
	Tuesday 24th December	Tuesday 24th December	None
	Wednesday 25th December	Friday 27th December	2 days later
	Thursday 26th December	Saturday 28th December	2 days later
	Friday 27th December	Monday 30th December	3 days later
Recycling	Monday 30th December	Tuesday 31st December	1 day later
	Tuesday 31st December	Thursday 2nd January	2 days later
	Wednesday 1st January	Friday 3rd January	2 days later
	Thursday 2nd January	Saturday 4th January	2 days later
	Friday 3rd January	Monday 6th January	3 days later
Refuse	Monday 6th January	Tuesday 7th January	1 day later
	Tuesday 7th January	Wednesday 8th January	1 day later
	Wednesday 8th January	Thursday 9th January	1 day later
	Thursday 9th January	Friday 10th January	1 day later
	Friday 10th January	Saturday 11th January	1 day later

From Monday 13th January 2020 normal waste and recycling collections resume.

There will be **NO brown bin collections over Christmas and New Year** (between 23rd December and 6th January). Please refer to brown bin collection calendars available on: [www.babergh.gov.uk](http://www.babergh.gov.uk) for details.

**Waste Services: 0300 1234 000 (option 4)**  
email: [Recycling@babermidsuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:Recycling@babermidsuffolk.gov.uk)





# Nayland & District Horticultural Society Spring Flower Show

on Saturday 21st March 2020 in the Church Hall

- Classes:
1. Pot of spring bulbs, corms or tubers (*other than Daffodil/Narcissus*)
  2. Pot of 5 Daffodil/Narcissus bulbs any colour or variety
  3. Pot miniature Daffodil/Narcissus bulbs
  4. Pot of Polyanthus or Primula (Primroses)
  5. Flowering houseplant
  6. Non-flowering houseplant
  7. 3 blooms (*any one variety*) floating in a dish of water
  8. Flower arrangement: 'A Host of Daffodils' (*to be predominantly Daffodils*)
  9. Flower arrangement: 'Spring Fever' (*max size 12" overall*)
  10. Vase with 3 stems of Hyacinths
  11. Vase of mixed flowers and/or flowering shrubs
  12. Vase of one kind of flowering shrub or tree
  13. Vase of 3 Tulips (*any variety/varieties*)
  14. Vase with 1 bloom Camellia
  15. Vase of 6 assorted Daffodil/Narcissus
  16. Vase of 6 Miniature Daffodil/Narcissus
  17. 3 specimen Daffodil/Narcissus blooms (*any one variety*)
  18. Rhubarb: 3 stalks, leaves trimmed, but if forced foliage should remain
- This is an advance notice to enable you to plant up your entries!  
More information will be available in later issues of the Community Times, or  
[www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk](http://www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk) or Trevor 262022 [trevor.smy24@gmail.com](mailto:trevor.smy24@gmail.com)



## Lavenham Christmas Fair 2019

**Friday 6th December – 5:30pm – 8:30pm**

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Spring Series of 10 Lectures  
Stoke by Nayland Village Hall  
Thursday 16th January 2020,  
7.30 pm



## History on Film

With James Clarke



**History on Film** considers ten feature films that interpret a range of historical moments including films about **World War 1, World War 2** and the **Spanish Civil War**. We will also look at a number of films concerned with **specific people** who left their mark on history.

Each session will consider how cinematic technique and film

style is used to bring the past back to life.



James has been teaching with the WEA since 2015. He currently also teaches screenwriting at the London Film School and is a Fellow of the Higher Education Academy. He has had a number of books about movies published and has new book to be published in March 2020 entitled "Bond: Photographed by Terry O'Neill"



**Fee for the term: £58**

Enrolment for the course should be done directly with the WEA either online at [www.wea.org.uk](http://www.wea.org.uk) or by telephone at 0300 303 3464

Course Reference: **C2226721**

Fee payment can be made with a credit/debit card  
Advance booking for the course is recommended but you can enrol after the first, free 'taster' session on 16th January if preferred.

For further information you may contact Sue Whitley on 01787 210445 or email: [whitleysue@lincs.wea.ac.uk](mailto:whitleysue@lincs.wea.ac.uk)

**Future Event : AGM and TALK**

**'Undiplomatic Episodes' with Martin Berthoud**

Thursday 2nd April 2020, 7.30 pm

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## KENNY'S SESAW NEWS



Once again there is a rustling of shredded paper at SESAW as more hungry hedgehogs demand their dinner. They need to put on more weight before they are ready to fend for themselves.

Despite our best efforts, some of our rescue stories do not have a happy ending.

One such is Titch, a gentle giant of a mastiff, one of life's losers, found tied up on a London building site. She needed a leg operation upon arrival but soon recovered and went to live with one of our volunteers. Unfortunately she had to return to SESAW when the dogs became jealous of each other and who should share the sofa with them.

She was soon enjoying her walks and playtime again until a sudden decline in her health. Our usually boisterous girl was found to have a massive growth and sadly, is with us no more. It seems those that get dealt the wrong cards throughout their lives cannot have a happy ending. My, how we all miss her ugly ol' mug gazing at us saying "come on give us a cuddle".

If you have room in your heart and home to give one of our other residents a new start in 2020, leave an answerphone message or email us. Please check the website if you plan to visit as we will be closed in the run up to Christmas and the New Year. Season's greetings and best wishes for 2020 from all of us at SESAW, including me, **Kenny (the Boss) Chihuahua**.

**Suffolk & Essex Small Animal Welfare** (Reg Charity No. 1124029)

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# VILLAGE DIARY

<b>November</b>	
25th	Village Hall Management Committee meeting 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 33 &amp; 47</i>
26th	Luncheon Club for over 60s: at Longwood Barn <i>page 3 &amp; 29</i>
30th	Nayland Choir: concert 'Jubilate' St James' Church <i>page 27</i>
<b>December</b>	
4th	Children & Tots Swap Shop 10am-noon St James' Church <i>page 12 &amp; 38</i>
5th-7th	Village Players: <i>The Lion in Winter</i> Village Hall <i>page 15 &amp; 25</i>
6th	Friends of Wiston Church: Drinks & Canapes Party 7pm <i>page 13</i>
7th	Community Council: Christmas Fayre 10.30am-1pm Village Hall <i>page 6 &amp; 7</i>
8th	Community Council: putting up the village Christmas tree High Street 9am <i>page 8</i>
9th	Conservation Society: Jo Caruth on progress of the Court Knoll Project 7.15 for 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 15 &amp; 26</i>
11th	Art Group: Christmas Lunch <i>page 28</i>
11th	Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall Committee Room <i>page 47</i>
12th	Luncheon Club for over 60s: Christmas Party at Longwood Barn <i>page 3 &amp; 29</i>
13th	Nayland School HSA: Christmas Fayre 3.30-6pm Nayland School <i>page 12</i>
15th	Country Music Club: 'Black Steel' 7.30 Village Hall <i>page 13</i>
16th	Women's Institute: 'Music & Poetry with guitar accompaniment' Brenda Green 7.30 Village Hall <i>page 29</i>
18th	Carols Around the Christmas Tree with the Boxted Silver Band at 7.30pm <i>page 14 &amp; 38</i>
22nd	Candlelit Carol Service at St James' Church at 6.30pm <i>page 14, 33 &amp; 38</i>
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6th	Village Hall Management Committee meeting 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 33 &amp; 47</i>
7th	Community Council: meeting 8pm Church Hall (Exec 7.30) <i>page 7 &amp; 47</i>
8th	Art Group: New term begins 2pm Church Hall <i>page 28</i>
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20th	Women's Institute: 'What Retirement Makes Possible' Revd Canon Davis Atkin 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 29</i>
26th	Village Cinema: 'The Affair' 1940s Vintage Tea & Prosecco Party 2.30 for 3pm Village Hall <i>page 11 &amp; 25</i>
28th	Luncheon Club for over 60s: at Longwood Barn <i>page 3 &amp; 27</i>
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7th	Community Council: Nayland Fun Village Quiz <i>page 6 &amp; 10</i>
13th	Over 60s: meeting 2.30pm Parkers Way Community Centre <i>page 29</i>
17th	Women's Institute: 'Homelessness and Hope' Georgina Ambrose 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 29</i>
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