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These new arrangements are scheduled to come into Effect on **Monday 23rd March**. The new draft 784 timetable gives times as:

- COLCHESTER BOUND: 0927 - 1129 - 1229 - 1329 - 1429 - nothing after that
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NAYLAND FUN VILLAGE QUIZ

Friday 7th February 7.30pm sharp start Village Hall

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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS OF NAYLAND^{WITH} WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Reg Charity No 304926

&

NAYLAND VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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Monday 2nd March

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7.30pm Community Council

(CC Exec meeting at 7pm)

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Anyone interested in joining the Community Council Executive Committee should contact Rachel Hitchcock 263169 or Julie Clark 263251

Anyone interested in joining the Village Hall Management Committee should contact Iain Wright 263646 or Christine Thompson 262825

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NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Extract of Draft Minutes for Meeting: 11th December 2019

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

COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT

Parking enforcement duties are to pass from the Police to local authorities in Suffolk from the end of January. The Rescue Service welcomes applications for new firefighters. Members of the Parish Council expressed gratitude to two people due to leave the Fire Service at Nayland; Tony Gardiner and Shane Gladwell following many years of active service. The Chairman questioned James Finch about re-arranging the drainage meeting. He confirmed there is little to report at this stage and prevention work is being explored.

PLANNING

Councillors heard that Babergh DC have given permission at **The Malt House, 16 Stoke Road** [DC/19/04929] to prune oak tree and consent had been granted to work on trees under Tree Preservation Order at **30 Bear Street** [DC/19/04014]. Listed building consent had been granted at **The Mill House, Wiston Hall Lane** [DC/19/04751] to erect a single storey side extension and permission granted at **1 Fox Cottages, Bures Road** [DC/19/04750] for a two storey side extension.

Discussing recent applications, councillors had no objections at **Hillside, 14 Stoke Road** [DC/19/05607] to notification of works to trees or to listed building consent at **Stour House, 23 Court Street** [DC/19/05577/78], subject to the views of the Heritage Team, for a single storey rear extension (following demolition of conservatory), external and internal alterations and erection of cart lodge.

Councillors had no objections at **34 Bear Street** [DC/19/05649/50] for planning permission and listed building consent for single storey rear extension (following demolition of conservatory), however, it was agreed to bring to the attention of the planning authority inaccuracies in the completion of the form for sections 7 & 8 as clearly the host property is Listed.

Other Planning

Disappointment was expressed at the lack of response from the Chief Planning Officer to our questions and invitation to attend ahead of a PC meeting. It was agreed to express this in a chase up and also seek assistance from our District Councillor in this matter. Ned Cartwright confirmed the Chief Planning Officer addressed the SALC meeting and the principles described were inconsistent with our experience.

RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES

A favourable report had been received by the playground inspector of how the playground is managed and maintained. Some points were raised and discussed at Finance Committee and funds allocated as far as possible. However, due to the cost of some items some prioritisation and staged implementation

is required. Gerry Battye agreed to speak with the Inspector to discuss some of the items to help with prioritisation.

The suggestion by the Royal British Legion to plant an oak tree on Caley Green as part of the 75th VE Day celebrations was discussed. The Parish Council manages the open space at Caley Green with the exception of the trees, which are by agreement with the owners, SCC. The PC felt it important for them to consider and express their views first; they have reservations about the size of an oak tree. The PC will write to the RBL asking whether they have considered an alternative memorial prior to contacting SCC.

HIGHWAYS

The surface of Star Alley has been raised with the County Council where an understanding existed that the Parish Council will clear foliage on a regular basis if the County Council takes care of any surfacing issues. Unfortunately no action had been followed up by the County Council. This is a much used walk through and the steps can become slippery. James Finch agreed to follow up.

The privately owned hedging in Fen Street is causing issues. The Chairman agreed to follow up with the residents and explain how this has been handled in the past. Some damage during the high winds has been reported to the redundant bus shelter at the start of Heycroft Way. The felt is ripped exposing the timber. Our grounds maintenance contractor would be asked to assess this in the first instance due to the priority to get this watertight.

IN BRIEF

Quotations for street light units 87 in Church Lane, 48 in Birch Street and 62 in Mill Street had been included in the budget by Finance Committee and it was agreed to authorising the work to these units.

It had been agreed to freeze allotment rents for a further year.

It was agreed to defer the long term management plan of the burial ground discussion until the January Meeting.

It was decided to follow the County Council arrangements for street lighting over the Festive period leaving them on all night on both Christmas Eve and New Years Eve.

Grant requests are still in progress in relation to the village hall replacement roof. It will be necessary to stage the work in affordable stages for the paying and re-couping of the VAT by the Parish Council.

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.

Please don't be shy. If you think you can help or would like to find out more please contact:

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NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Notes on the meeting : 15th January 2020

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

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

James Finch has requested meetings with Highways and Anglian Water chiefs regarding the recent traffic diversion through the village.

CO-OPTION OF MEMBERS

New councillors, Dawn Harris and Patricia Wilkie, were proposed and seconded onto the Parish Council.

PLANNING

Councillors heard that Babergh DC have given permission at **15 The Westerings** [DC/19/04960] for erection of a part two storey, part single storey rear extension (revised scheme to previously approved B/17/00421), at **The Doll's House, 4 Mill Street** [DC/19/05282] listed building consent to replace render and rainwater goods and erection of log store following removal of shed and coal bunker, at **Stour House** [DC/19/05578] listed building consent for erection of a single storey rear extension (following demolition of conservatory), external and internal alterations and erection of cartlodge and at **14 Stoke Road** [DC/19/05607] for notification of works to a Chestnut tree (Reduce to previous pruning cuts and reduce height by 10%). Babergh have approved at **8 Mill Street** [DC/19/05034] discharge of conditions including biodiversity enhancement strategy, veranda, window, door and roof cladding details and at **The Malt House Stoke Road** [DC/19/04929] for works to a tree on the boundary of 14 and 16 Stoke Road for the reduction of side branches by between 0.5 - 1.5 metres to suitable growth points and balance to maintain natural columnar shape of tree.

Discussing recent applications, councillors had no objections at **Gladwin's Farm Holiday Cottages** [DC/19/05964] - subject to provision of screening of the new road and installation of low-level lighting - to a full planning application for erection of 3 holiday lodges with ancillary parking spaces and a communal function room with a kitchen/toilets and storage space, retention of office/reception building and alterations to internal access road, at **Star Cottage, 81 Bear Street** [DC/20/00007] - subject to the heritage officer's report - for listed building consent to strengthen a primary floor beam above living room and at **82 Bear Street** [DC/20/00008] for erection of extension to garage to form new studio and repairs to existing roof.

Councillors objected to an application at **Chandlers, 100 Bear Street** [DC/20/00001] for erection of summerhouse/home office and boathouse/home office (following demolition of existing outbuildings); widening access. Permission has already been granted for some buildings but this new application had been submitted to construct a sculpture's workshop two-storeys high to allow for a gantry and an office.

Significant development has recently been approved. Councillors agreed these proposals would be over-development and not in keeping with the very historic listed host dwelling; impact on neighbour amenity with the dominant structures overshadowing, overlooking and would be noisy in view of the proposed commercial use; significant detrimental impact from various viewpoints including the footpath across the river.

Councillors objected to an application at **72-78 Bear Street** [DC/20/00063] for works to trees in a Conservation Area to fell a T1 Silver Birch. Only a tree surgeon's report had been

submitted in which the tree was described as presenting no risk. Councillors queried why the tree needed to be felled and will object on those grounds.

Councillors will write to object to an application at **Harpers Hill Farm** [SCC/0099/19B] for erection of 6 bays for the storage of non-hazardous wastes with associated screening and soil washing for skip hire business. This is adjacent to Gladwin's Farm holiday homes. Councillors were concerned that this was over-development constituting potential noise, industrialisation and that it was incompatible with the AONB status. The Chair proposed sending a separate letter to the waste management company requesting a response to a previous letter concerning noise and litter.

Melanie Barrett and members of the PC discussed Babergh's policy concerning the threshold number of dwellings after which a developer has to provide affordable housing.

RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES

The Conservation Society, Land Company, Community Council and Parish Council as a collaborative project asked the Environment Agency to install a water level gauge with a censor on the Stour to monitor water levels following problems last summer. They have responded saying they do not consider a gauge necessary.

After exploring the possibility of planting a memorial oak tree on Caley Green for the 75th anniversary of VE Day, the British Legion would like permission to erect a stone memorial. The PC fully approved this.

The Anchor Inn is due for refurbishment and will be closed for six weeks from 19th January. The PC will write reminding them that lay-by and Pop's Piece are public amenities. The PC will arrange for necessary hedge work at Pop's Piece.

Gerry Battye will meet with contactors to discuss works to Fairfield Recreation ground.

VANDALISM

Councillors discussed recent damage at the allotments, the fields behind the Anchor Inn, other open spaces and in neighbouring villages including Newton Green Golf Course. The Police have been informed of damage in Nayland.

IN BRIEF

Mary George referred to the ongoing Highways problems with flooding, signage and the A134 diversion; the PC has requested that the empty grit bins are replenished. The PC is pursuing proper repair to Star Alley.

An old stile in Candy Lane has been replaced by a new metal, wheelchair accessible 'kissing' gate. Dead Lane in Wiston has a fallen tree.

Tricia Fuller reported that the installation of a lockable barrier to protect the village hall playing field from vehicles is being considered.

Laura Erith reported on the Community Council meeting. Littlegarth School is keen to prevent a recurrence of the traffic problems that occurred when they held their Carol Service at St James last month.

VOLUNTEER REQUIRED

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We are looking for a new Treasurer to join our cheerful team which organises events and awards grants within our community. This is not an onerous task, we have an excellent spreadsheet that does all the calculations for you.

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Contact Maggie Ryan on 262837 or Rachel Hitchcock 263169 or 07788 954309 to discover what a simple task it is!

THANK YOU

Ruby Stevens and her friend Amber showed their community spirit by helping a Bear Street resident when a water main burst and flooded part of Bear Street on Saturday 18th January. They made one of the early phone calls to Anglia Water and then spent the rest of the morning helping a resident prevent water from flowing into her house. They helped to warn drivers to slow down as passing vehicles were making the problem worse and put up with some unwarranted abuse.

Mary George, Chairman, NwW Parish Council

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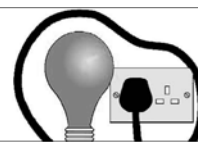
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COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT

Meeting: 7th January 2020 Chair: Rachel Hitchcock 263169
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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 if you would like to know more.

Looking ahead to the AGM members present confirmed they were willing to continue on the Exec. Rachel Hitchcock said next year would be her last year (her fourth) in the role of Chair and she felt it was time for a new person with fresh ideas to take the CC forward. Maggie Ryan would like to step down as Treasurer due to her new work and college commitments and handing over during the quieter summer months seems a suitable time. If anyone is interested in knowing more about this role please contact Maggie Ryan on 262837.

Rachel raised the question of whether the aims and objectives of the CC Constitution, which was established in 1966, could be updated to better reflect our current activities. Some members felt the wording was still relevant and advised caution and legal advice should be explored. Some felt the wording could be amended to better explain our activities and encourage new members. It was felt this should be given further thought after the AGM and in the meantime Rachel would explore what advice is available at the Charity Commission.

In the meantime, it was felt that two items in the Constitution could be amended slightly: 4d. "...The total number of Individual Members shall not exceed one half of the total number of Group Representatives." and 5i "The Executive Committee shall consist of the following: (b) Seven other Council Members." This will be progressed by email for voting on at the AGM.

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.

Members felt another training session would be beneficial. Rachel Hitchcock and Tracy Le Grys will liaise with organising a session in the spring. It was suggested that perhaps this could introduce other aspects of First Aid.

River Stour Water Level Gauge: The CC had agreed to support a request to the Environment Agency for a water level gauge to be installed on the River Stour at Nayland as a joint request with the Conservation Society, Nayland Land Company and Parish Council. Mike Hunter had written to Will Akast at the EA on our behalf. A response was received saying the EA did not feel a gauge feeding levels back to them was necessary. Mike Hunter emailed asking them to reconsider but the reply maintained a gauge was not necessary.

Members felt that a gauge would be an advantage but if a censored gauge was not possible a simple gauge would be beneficial and would create additional interest in the river. The CC would support further efforts to this aim and updates can be communicated via email.

Nayland 10k Fun Run: The 2020 Nayland 10k will take place on Sunday 5th July. It will be launched soon on www.nayland10k

Village Hall Garden: The spring session to maintain the gardens will be held on 4th April from 9am. Please support by helping if you can. The gardens are split into sections which various societies are responsible for; the CC section of the garden is in the corner by the silver birch tree and bins.

RECENT ACTIVITIES:

Bonfire Night on 5th November: This was a success. Rachel Hitchcock expressed huge thanks to everyone who helped. Rachel has sent our thanks to the Anchor Inn and to Kerridges. The Anchor overflow car park was very well used and having accessible parking only at the village hall worked well. Solutions

to reduce queues at catering sales points worked well, but with increased demand we were stretched to cope and sold out.

This event has grown in recent years; members felt a review of its management is needed. Should less promotion be done to keep it a smaller event or should we take advantage of it as our main fundraiser? Should we use professional pyrotechnics to provide the display while we concentrate on sales and other things? It was agreed this should be given much greater consideration than we have time for at this meeting; Rachel will take the discussion forward via email.

Christmas Fayre on 7th December: Rachel Hitchcock expressed thanks to everyone who helped and all the village groups for their participation. Some lovely appreciative comments have been received about the lovely atmosphere. Father Christmas looked very smart in his new costume. The consensus was that the School Choir performing at midday is the preferred timing as fewer sales are made on stalls after their performance.

Village Christmas Tree: The tree once again looked delightful and a lovely feature for the Carol Singing. Claire Buller and all helpers were congratulated and thanked for erecting the tree. The CC is grateful to the Nayland Dental Clinic for supplying the electricity. Claire said the setting up had been complicated and several issues had to be overcome.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Maggie Ryan gave her report.

Breakdown of profits: Quiz £210, Community Times £1,127.55, Calendar £521.76, Nayland 10k £1,414.40, Bonfire £3,317.40, Christmas Fayre £331.96

Grants paid: Lizzie's Fund Endurance Walk £170, Nayland & Wiston website £94, Village Hall Cooker £779.99.

Current Position: The accounts show reserves of £27,567.22, represented by Deposit a/c monies £10,684.42, Current a/c monies £10,684.42, 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 £17,245.72 .**

GRANTS & DONATIONS:

No grant applications had been received. It was pointed out that most of our established village societies are now self funding but grants are available to them, for new groups/societies and for other projects that would benefit the community. It was felt that the CC should promote itself more prominently, including the grants given and that grants are available. The possibility of including a plaque by projects given grants, for example the defibrillator will be investigated by Rachel.

Community Times & Websites: Lorraine Brooks said the year end accounts confirm that advertising has gradually declined. This is largely due to businesses using online promotions and Facebook. The meeting was reminded that originally the CT was produced for the benefit of communication within the community and not for profit - the income has been a very nice bonus. However, please encourage potential advertisers.

The CC website includes the CC history, grant application forms, events and currently the quiz booking forms. Justin Dowding said the Nayland & Wiston website continues to be well used.

Village Calendar: Lorraine Brooks said the 2020 calendar is still on sale at the Post Office and at Forget Me Not priced £5.

She expressed a huge thank you to Wendy Sparrow for doing much of the selling and to the Post Office, Forget Me Not, Melissa's and others who helped with selling calendars. This year profit currently stands at £546.76 for 207 calendars. Costs were greater this year, mainly due to a reprint after the May Bank Holiday was moved to commemorate the VE Day anniversary. It seems most other calendar producers haven't included the revised date!

The CC agreed they would like to produce a 2021 calendar. Wendy and Lorraine said they are willing to contribute again but additional help would be needed on competition day and to be



CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Nayland with Wissington Community Council celebrated the start of the festive season with a successful Christmas Family Fayre on December 7.

The village hall was gaily decorated with bunting and several local societies ran a variety of stalls selling seasonal fare, together with others from further afield.

Popular features included Father Christmas and musical entertainment by Nayland Primary School choir, as well as the ukulele and recorder groups.

Council chairman Rachel Hitchcock said: "It was a splendid start to the festivities and lovely to see so many of the community groups together."

Many thanks to all who helped with the planning and on the day; our events would not happen without support from the community.

The fayre raised about £330 for council funds.



Community Council report continued.....

pro-active in selling calendars. Competition day has provisionally been booked for Bank Holiday Friday 8th May.

FORTHCOMING ACTIVITIES

Village Quiz on Friday 7th February: Table booking forms are available in the CT, Forget Me Not and at naylandcommunity-council.org.uk/Events. Donations of raffle prizes would be appreciated and can be dropped off at 107 Bear Street or brought along on the evening.

CC AGM on Monday 2nd March in the Village Hall: Timings will be 7pm CC Exec meeting, 7.30pm the Community Council AGM and at 8pm the Village Hall AGM. As agreed previously, it was agreed to ask Society representatives to supply a summary of their reports (handwritten, typed or emailed through).

SOCIETY REPORTS

HortSoc: Trevor Smy said on 17th March Rob Sherriff will talk on 'Growing Cut Flowers', the Spring Show will be on 21st March, their AGM and Fun Quiz will be on 14th April. They will soon be taking bookings for a outing to *Kew Gardens* on 17th June.

Women's Institute: Wendy Sparrow said they enjoyed a fascinating talk on 'Jumbo, Colchester's Water Tower', a *Music & Festive Poetry* evening and had a successful stall at the Christmas Fayre. On 26th January the talk is entitled 'What Retirement Makes Possible', and in February on 'Homelessness and Hope'.

Book Club: Wendy Sparrow said their last book was 'The Poppy Factory' by Liz Trenow and they are currently reading 'The Country Girls' by Edna O'Brien.

Village Players: Justin Dowding said their last production 'The Lion in Winter' was very well received. Their spring production will be the comedy 'Absurd Person Singular' by Alan Ayckbourn. Emma Wallis will be directing with performances on 26th-28th March.

Royal British Legion: Their next meeting is on 14th January when Chris Hunt will give a talk on 'War Memorials'.

St James' Church: The next churchyard working party will be

4th April from 9am.

Conservation Society: Their AGM will be on 11th March when Jules Pretty will talk on 'Addressing Climate Change At Home'.
Nayland First Responders: Tracy Le Grys said they are no longer only called out for cardiac incidents; they are increasingly being called out if there is a delay by an ambulance and to car accidents. Recruitment has changed and now involves 150 hours of training which has to be paid for. Tracy will be climbing 17,028 feet to Everest Base Camp for Help the Heroes - she has a Just Giving page.

Village Hall: Iain Wright said general maintenance continues including the 5 year electrical test. They are planning on installing barriers at the end of the car park and removable bollards to enable access when necessary. They are still looking at fundraising for the roof project.

Nayland Cinema: They have a village hall roof fundraiser on 26th January; a 1940s Tea & Prosecco Party and screening of 'The Affair' which was part-filmed in Nayland during 1995 using residents as extras. Film screenings include 21st February 'Downton Abbey', 6th March 'The Biggest Little Farm'.

Parish Council: Laura Erith said they still have vacancies on the Council. They have been concerned by water levels of the River Stour and support installation of a water level gauge. They are concerned developers have avoided the requirement to include affordable housing on Harpers Hill by submitting two separate planning applications.

Home School Association: Jo Metson said the Christmas Fair had been very successful and had a lovely festive atmosphere.

Messy Church: Rachel Hitchcock said when they return on 26th January the theme will be Christingle/Candlemas.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: will be the AGM on Monday 2nd March at 7.30pm (Exec 7pm) in the Village Hall.

VILLAGE CHRISTMAS TREE



On Sunday 8th December 2019 the tree was once again mounted into its underground fixings. Another year of things once again not quite going to plan. The tree delivered early that morning was much smaller than we had been used to. After much discussion with the tree erection team present that morning it was decided to call Fred Smith to see if it was possible to exchange the tree for a larger one. Fred very kindly offered to bring us a larger tree that very same morning. As we waited for the tree there were many comments about the strength of the wind. By the time the new magnificent 20ft plus tree arrived it was very windy indeed. None the less the team went ahead sculpting the base of the very large tree to fit its bespoke holder and dressing the tree with its baubles, star and four sets of tree lights. With much heaving, lifting, twisting and turning the tree was placed into the ground outside the dentists. The tree was finally up. However a few gusts of winds later the tree had moved within its base and came to rest with a distinct lean towards the dentist. We tried to reduce the lean with chocs of wood within the base but due to the sheer size of the tree it was impossible to correct it fully. Some would say it just added to the charm!

Unfortunately the lean was not the only problem this year. While placing the light switches into their housing under the tree, the lights at the very top of the tree became disconnected from their transformer turning the top of the tree into darkness. Fortunately for me Gary Napper and Tony Boon knew what to do and soldered the connection back together. Hey presto the whole tree was alight again.

Despite all these hiccups we were glad the tree was greatly enjoyed by many in the village especially for the Carols round the tree with the Boxted Silver Band on Wednesday 18th December which I understand was very well attended.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who helped put it up and take it down again this year and to say an extra big thank you to those people without whom we would not have a village Christmas tree.

Thanks to our dental surgery for servicing the tree with its electricity and allowing the tree to be positioned outside their premises, Fred Smith of Straight Road, Boxted for (twice) delivering and supplying the tree at a very competitive rate and Sean Norfolk with his chain saw who expertly shaped the tree stump to fit its holder.

Claire Buller, Community Council

Pictured L to R: Tony Boon and Gary Napper (The light repair team)



NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON CALENDAR & PHOTO COMPETITION

For anyone who still wishes to purchase a 2020 calendar there are a few more copies available at the Post Office or Forget Me Not.

Calendar Photographic Competition

Do keep taking photographs for this popular competition. The competition will be held as usual on the early May bank holiday, this year on Friday 8th May. We will give further details and include an entry form in the next issue of the Community Times.

Photographs reflecting any of the 12 months of the year taken in recent years which represent our beautiful parish and our thriving community will be welcome; these may include scenic views, architectural and natural features, street scenes and any seasonal or unusual aspects of the parish. Community events, such as the Fete or Open Gardens and society activities would also be appreciated.

As usual the competition will be open to residents of the Nayland with Wissington parish, and those who work in the parish or are active participants in parish societies/organisations.

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Tuesday 31 March - Tuesday 28 April

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Friday 7th February

Village Hall

7.30pm sharp start

£12 a table of Four

Bring your own refreshments

Further application forms in Forget Me Not, 2 Birch Sreet
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Further details from:

Rachel Hitchcock 263169

or email rachel_hitchcock@hotmail.com

Don't worry if you are not a 4
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Application for the Village Quiz on 7th February 2020

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Team Name:

Email:

Please submit in envelope with payment to:
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Nayland Baby & Toddler group

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We are currently looking for some new helpers to run this essential community group come January 2020. The group attracts many local families and carers and is a great place to make new and meet up with old friends. Help is needed to run the group by setting up toys, making tea and coffee and packing away at the end of the session along with some basic admin tasks. *More info on page 32.* Please get in touch if you can help.

Contact: Anna 07826 153023 easdownanna@gmail.com

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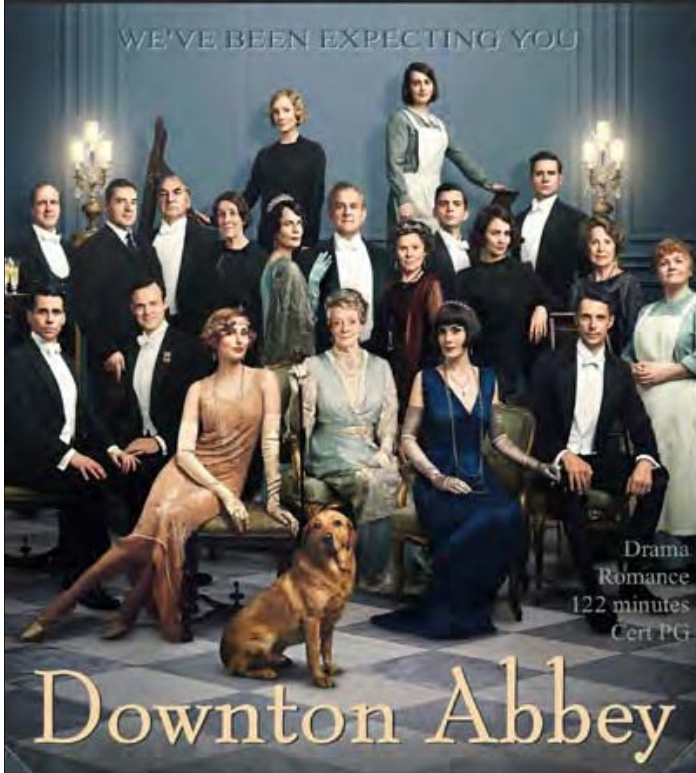
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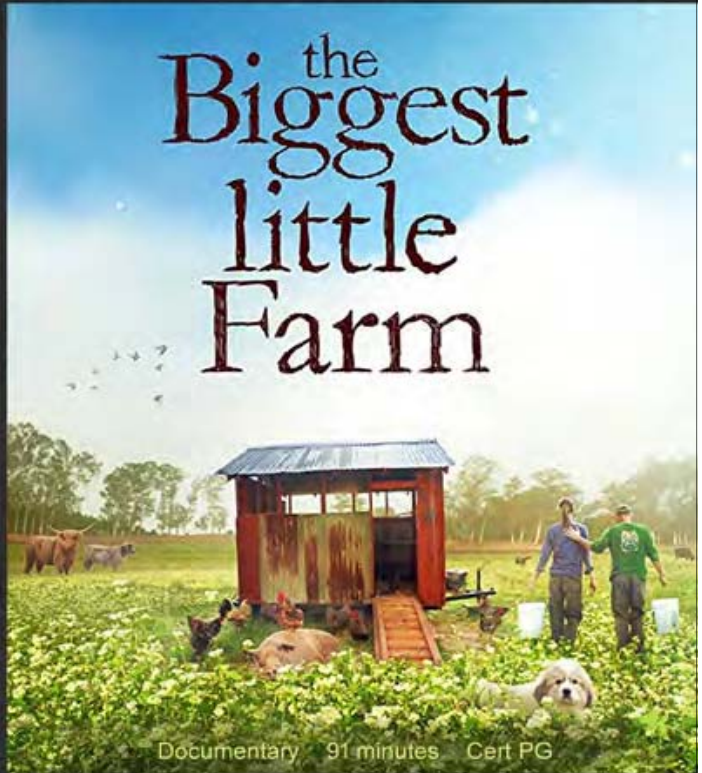
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Downton Abbey

Friday 21st February

Refreshments served before and during the interval. Tea/coffee and biscuits will be by donation with a charge for other refreshments and the bar. Tickets £5, under 16 £2. A loyalty card will be issued on the first visit to the cinema which will then be stamped at each visit. Every fifth film will be free of charge. *Further details on page 25*



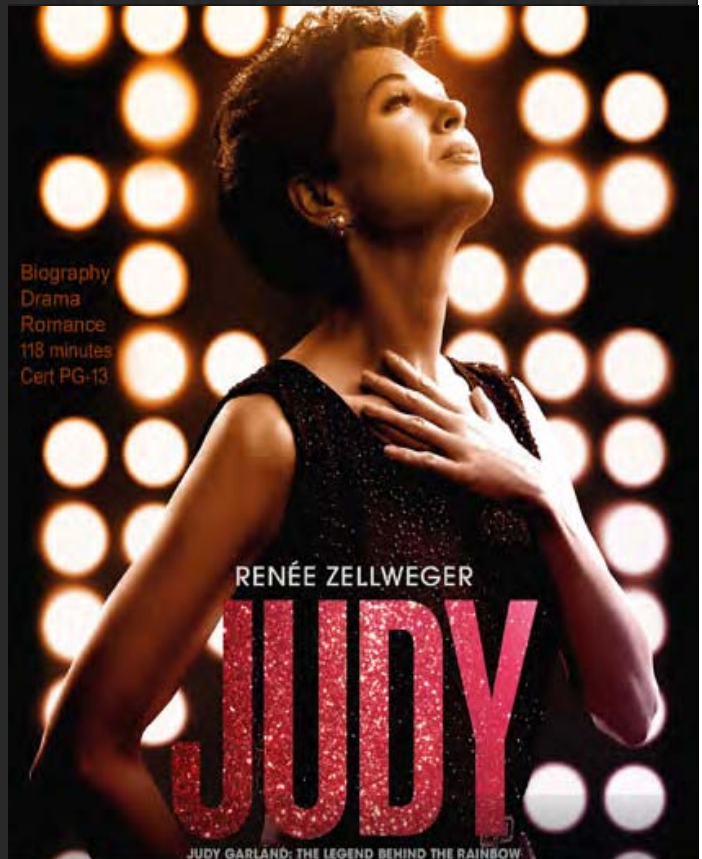
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Friday 6th March



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Friday 20th March



Biography
Drama
Romance
118 minutes
Cert PG-13

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JUDY GARLAND: THE LEGEND BEHIND THE RAINBOW

Friday 3rd April

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Saturday 4 April
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For further details contact
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Saturday 28 March
from 9am



Please come along and join us
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Nayland & District Horticultural Society

Coach outing to

Kew Gardens

Wednesday 17th June

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Coach leaving Nayland 9.30am, return from Kew 4:30pm.

The cost will be £30 to include travel and entry. Hop on / off train available for extra £4. Refreshments are available. Open to non-members.

Early booking is advisable. Booking forms can be returned to the HortSoc box in the Post Office, or direct to Trevor Smy at 24 Harpers Estate.

Cheques payable to *Nayland & District Horticultural Society*.

For more information, visit www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk or contact Trevor on 262022 or trevor.smy24@gmail.com.

Kew Gardens Booking Form

You will receive an acknowledgement of booking..

I would like to book seat(s)

Payment attached: £.....

Name: Tel:

Address:

Email:

Names of Guest/s: Where boarding coach: Stoke Rd / Parkers Wy / Harpers Est



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The Village Lunch

Wednesday 22nd April

11.45 am for 12 noon, Lunch at 1pm
Nayland Village Hall

Speaker: Peter Lawrence

talk title to be announced

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Tickets: £12.50 will be available at the Post Office
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COMMEMORATION OF THE END OF WW2 VICTORY IN EUROPE HISTORY EXHIBITION APPEAL

- Did a member of your family serve during WW2?
- Do you have any artefacts or photographs that would be useful for a WW2 history exhibition to be held in May 2020?
- Can you share any wartime stories about Nayland or Wiston?

We are looking for any WW2 memorabilia, for example gas masks, clothes, wartime letters or diaries, ration books and 1940s photographs showing Nayland and Wiston or the men and women who served in any capacity. Photographs can be sent via email or we can scan the originals and return them to owners quickly. Photographs will be reproduced on printed display boards. Borrowed artefacts will be supervised and returned safely after the VE weekend but the photograph display will move to St James' church for a short period.

If you have any interesting items to add to our history exhibition, please contact us before 15th March.

Wendy Sparrow 262820 wsparrow150@btinternet.com or
Mary George 262712 mary@naylandwithwissington.suffolk.gov.uk

Nayland and District Branch of the Royal British Legion will organise a public commemoration service on Caley Green on VE DAY Bank Holiday Friday 8th May and a 'sharing' meal in Nayland Village Hall at midday on Saturday 9th May. Everyone will be invited to bring a plate of food to share, enjoy a glass of Pimms, look at the exhibition and swap family anecdotes. Watch out for full details in coming weeks.

NAYLAND COMMUNITY LITTERPICK

Saturday 25th April

Meet at 2pm
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Nayland & District Horticultural Society

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Tuesday 17th March

7pm for 7.30pm

Church Hall, Bear Street

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AGM & FUN QUIZ EVENING

Tuesday 14th April

7.30pm - Church Hall

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BURST WATER MAINS DISRUPTIONS

Most recently, on 18th January 2020 a burst water main close to 48 Bear Street led to temporary closure of the road, the B1070. The repair to the main was completed during that night but the road had not reopened when the CT went to print on 20th January.

Back on 4th January, following fire crews attending a blaze in Plough Lane, a water main in Leavenheath burst and a lengthy closure of the A134 caused chaos through local villages. Eight road traffic accidents were reported in 24 hours (two on the bend entering Nayland from Stoke).

Prior to this, in June 2018 the same section of water main at Leavenheath burst and it burst again in August that year. On both occasions it was following fire crews attending blazes nearby, and on both occasions resulted in a lengthy closures of the A134 and the chaos that brings to road users and local communities.

Does this raise the question: should Anglian Water carry out a proper survey to determine the underlying problem once and for all for the pipeline at Leavenheath?

Since 2018 there have been several other burst mains in Assington, Leavenheath, and now Nayland. **Could these burst mains be caused by the heavy traffic weakening the pipework during the previous diversions?** At the least, these diversions have led to damage to verges of smaller roads. The medieval streets and country lanes were not made for juggernauts!

And when the worst happens, shouldn't there be more adequate signage to prevent large vehicles using routes which are inappropriate for their size and weight?



Bear Street, 18 January



A134 at Leavenheath, 6 January



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Whilst the public exhibition in November demonstrated strong support for the company's proposals, we have carefully considered all the feedback received and made some minor adjustments, principally to the precise position of some of the tree planting.

The company applied to the Sustainable Development Fund of the Dedham Vale AONB & Stour Valley Project for a grant to help meet the cost of the creation of the permissive footpath and the tree planting on the main conservation field.

We are delighted to announce that a grant of £4465.25 was awarded and work started early in the New Year. This includes realignment of some of the existing post and wire fencing along the hedgerow separating the two fields in order to create the new permissive footpath 3m in width. It will also be necessary to create a new access gate between the two fields to permit the path to cross from the southern side of the hedgerow to the northern side where our land abuts the overspill car park for the Anchor Inn. It is hoped that the new path will be ready for use in the near future.

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RIVER WATCH

Our river and its wildlife has continued to be a hot topic in chatter and on social media. If you spot anything of interest, whether good, bad, unusual, beautiful, disgraceful, do please send details to lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com for inclusion here.

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

KINGFISHERS

Kingfishers, which are an amber listed protected species, continue to be spotted along the Stour which is fabulous news and exciting for those who see them. Few have managed to capture these on camera but Roy Clarke's patience paid off when he managed to take this shot. These delightful little birds fly rapidly, low over water, and hunt fish from riverside perches, occasionally hovering above the water's surface so it's quite a challenge! Do keep your cameras handy when you're out, it would be great to include more sightings.



TREE PLANTING

A small group of Stour Valley Volunteers (under the supervision of the Dedham Vale AONB and Stour Valley Project's River Stour Project Officer Alex Moore da Luz) planted the first of 100 trees along the northern bank of Stour on the Wiston side of the A134. Once established the trees will enhance the habitat provided by the two backwaters recently created in that area (see page 21 of last issue) and greatly improve diversity along that stretch of the river.



WATER LEVELS

Water levels of the Stour have certainly been a talking point this year; after drying up in places during the summer, it rained repeatedly during the autumn which saw the levels recover quite quickly and by 7th October the horseshoe weir was flowing strongly once again. The rain continued into early winter with the flood channel coming into full use with water extending into the adjacent Meadows on 10th December. The water levels seemed to reach their highest on about 21st December. Many thanks to Adrian Szabo for this fabulous view (below) of the River Stour in flood during December.

The EA stated that during the summer months the rate of flow in our rivers is determined by the groundwater level in the chalk aquifer which has depleted in the last two years which have been dry. They now state that it has been a wet winter so far and ground water levels have responded well and are back to near normal levels for the time of year.

OTTERS

There was some very sad news reported over the Christmas holiday. A dead female otter found on Christmas Day in the road along Horkesley Road was moved to the verge, reported and on 29th December collected by the Environment Agency to pass on



to the Cardiff University Otter Project for post mortem. An otter cub seen at the Anchor Inn on Christmas Day was collected by the RSPCA. A second dead otter was seen on Boxing Day in Mill Street; this had external injuries to its face which is probably consistent with a road traffic accident. This has been reported but its body disappeared; if anyone knows what happened please let Darren Tansley of the Essex Wildlife Trust - 07889 088453 darrent@essexwt.org.uk.

Otters often fall victim to traffic accidents as they attempt to cross busy roads to avoid river obstacles, such as a weir, bridge or tunnel, specially in the winter. When water levels are high and flow is strong this exacerbates the problem. It is likely this contributed to the death of these two otters in Nayland over Christmas as although the water levels had gone down considerably from their highest the current would have been strong.

The Essex Wildlife Trust, Cardiff University Otter Project and the Environment Agency share their information on otters but in the first instance if you find an Otter body (no matter what condition it is in) please report it to the **Environment Agency on 03708 506 506**. They will arrange for collection, inform the other agencies and send it off for post mortem examination as this provides a valuable insight into health and biology.

In an email following the reports, Darren Tansley said: *This year is the 25th Anniversary of the Essex Otter Survey and Nayland is one of the 256 survey points we visit. We record all sightings, road casualties as well as those volunteer survey points. When I was first involved with the survey back in 2003, there were usually only 3-4 dead otters recovered in Essex in a year. But now we are getting more and more and times of flood are particularly bad. Otters find road bridges and river crossings impassable and cross busy roads and they also find themselves unable to find the main channel or see to fish effectively so often travel up streams and ditches, now filled with water, in search of food. This is why we also get reports of otters discovering fish ponds during flood periods.*

However the rising death toll on roads is also a sign of a much

healthier and expanding population, something we hope to reflect in this year's otter survey report. From extinction in 1986, otters now occupy almost every corner of Essex and this reflects the much improved quality of our rivers since the pollution of the 1960s and 1970s that effectively killed them off.

Ed Hutchings, journalist and wildlife tour guide, has very kindly offered to share his knowledge of wildlife of the River Stour with readers and begins this issue of his 'Stour Notes' with Pike, Dace, Kingfishers, Poplar and Willows.

Lorraine Brooks



STOUR NOTES

Several Stour fish spawn for the first time in February, including the infamous Pike. The females move to well vegetated waters, where several males gather and compete for attention. If things go awry, the female may eat one or more of her suitors; Pike have a reputation for cannibalism. Dace are also spawning for the first time. An early start allows the juveniles to take advantage of the spring flush of food in the river. This species is found in clean, swiftly flowing stretches of the Stour.

March is a great month for seeing Kingfishers, before too much vegetation has grown up beside the Stour. They will also be displaying; often this is nothing more than excited chases, but if you're fortunate, you might witness a male landing beside the female and presenting her with a fish. But that's getting ahead of things. A good many people have never seen a Kingfisher or have only seen one or two in their lives. So how do you actually find one? Reassuringly, it's simple enough. First of all, Kingfishers occur along the entire stretch of the Stour that passes through Nayland, as well as the tributary that runs along Fen Street. Choose a vantage point where you can see right across (e.g. Anchor Bridge) and wait, because Kingfishers are territorial and, if it's their patch, they will soon whizz past. Look for a small bright blue bird flying straight, fast and low, just above the water surface. Also listen out for a loud whistle, rather like the sound squeaky toys make when squeezed. An iconic bird locally, the Kingfisher is a reasonably common sight along much of the Stour. Although resident,



numbers reduce in harsh winter weather as birds seek milder conditions on the coast.

By the riverside March is a good month for catkins and blossom. The various poplars send out colourful male catkins, shocking pink in the native Black Poplar, faded pink in Grey Poplar, well before their leaves come out. The former is an iconic Stour Valley tree, which requires moist to wet soil and was formerly a classic species of floodplain woodland. Today it occurs only as isolated trees in wet meadows, hedgerows and alongside farm ponds and rivers, its current distribution reflecting the former practice of striking cuttings in damp places. Most surviving trees have reached old age and mortality rates are high, with the Suffolk/Essex border containing a significant proportion of the

British population. There is a particularly impressive specimen by Wiston Hall. Black Poplar timber was traditionally valued for making planks and for use in floorboarding. Fittingly, the hay wain famously depicted in John Constable's eponymous painting was probably made from this species.

Grey and Goat Willows, common waterside plants, are also replete with their soft blooms, with that of the latter plusher and yellower. These emerge before the leaves. Willow species along the Stour were traditionally pollarded or coppiced to provide material for basket weaving in particular. Another waterside plant you might spot now is Butterbur. It has capacious heart shaped leaves and a large flowering spike, rather like an orchid, with a multitude of mauve flowers wrapped up in bracts.

Ed Hutchings

SEE IT, SNAP IT, SEND IT...



Ros Blaikie has delivered the post to parts of Nayland for the past few decades and she finally hung up her delivery bag on Xmas Eve 2019. She has always been most helpful and employed a wickedly dry sense of humour to make the day brighter. She will be missed! Thank you to Mike Hunter for this photo taken on her final round.

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES



Having enjoyed the Conservation Society talk on owls in November and seeing a barn owl the very next day at Stoke by Nayland we decided to make two owl boxes using spare wood which was due to be disposed of anyway. Restricted by the available wood we came up with our version of the experts' recommended shape and size and installed them in two trees not far from the one in the allotment field. Now we await with hope and anticipation what could happen in spring.

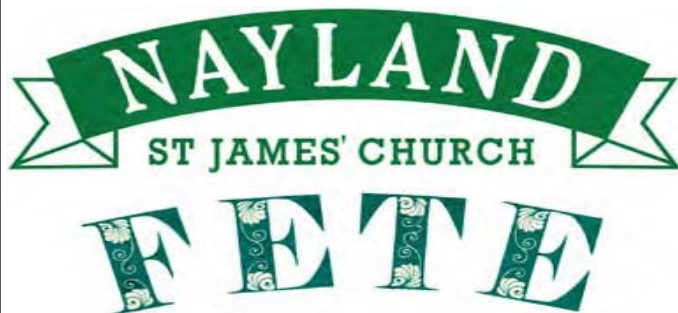
James and Andora Carver

COFFEE, CAKE & CONVERSATION



**Wednesday Mornings 10am to Noon
St James' Church, Nayland**

Join with us for Coffee, Tea, Cakes and Conversation in an informal atmosphere with others from our local community. Everyone Welcome !



Monday 25th May 2020

Definitely a date for the diary! Nayland Fete is always brilliantly supported by the local and wider community, who enjoy the music, stalls, vintage cars, sideshows and refreshments at our very friendly traditional Fete.

The stalls are a great attraction, so please start putting aside unwanted china and glass, bric a brac, vintage items, toys, pictures, soft furnishings, jewellery, garden tools and books and clothes, as they will be very gratefully received. **We will be taking donations from 1st April, but please note that the drop off points have changed this year.** For vintage items only, please take to Rachel at Forget me Not, during shop opening times. All other items, please leave at the Vicarage

garage and storage shed. Any queries, please contact as below.

There is lots of fun to be had behind the scenes and it's a great way to meet new people. If you would like to be involved in the Fete, have some new ideas, a large marquee that we could borrow or anything that will help, we would love to hear from you.

The Fete really has gone from strength to strength and is a wonderful example of a community getting together. Last year over £16,500 was raised, which is totally fantastic. This was achieved by the hard work and commitment of all the helpers, the kind and generous people who donated items to sell and the support of the sponsors. Nayland Fete drew large numbers of people who enjoyed everything that this well-established event has to offer.

The funds raised from the Fete go towards the upkeep of the St James' Church and last year's proceeds were earmarked for several building projects. These included improved access for the disabled, dealing with a leak in the roof, repointing and capping of the boundary wall and refurbishment of the south west door.

We are looking forward to another day of fun and laughter on 25th May

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NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES

Thanks to Revd Mark Woodrow and Nicola Thorogood who sent photos of the Christmas trees in St James' (left) and St Mary's churches. They were beautifully decorated by Paul Cooper (of Poplars Farm) who decorates the fabulous trees in Nayland, Wiston, Stoke and Leavenheath Churches.



Thank you to Fiona Malby for sending in this charming photo of the Yew trees in the High Street as we have never seen them before; bearing Christmas lights.

NAYLAND CHRISTMAS CARDS

I am delighted to report that Christmas card sales made a profit of £380 equally divided between St James' Church and Lizzie's Fund (the Brain Tumour Charity) and St James' Church Nayland so a very big thank you to all those who supported this venture by purchasing these cards.

Thank you for your support.

Karen Freeman

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Nayland with Wissington Society News



NAYLAND AND DISTRICT ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

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75TH ANNIVERSARY OF V E DAY

Plans are in hand for the commemoration/celebration of the end of WW2. It is called VE Day and will take place over the weekend 8th-10th May. The government has declared Friday 8th May as a public holiday instead of Monday 4th May the normal May Bank Holiday.

We are planning to celebrate the actual VE Day on 8th May with a short service on Caley Green starting at 10.30am at which we shall unveil a memorial commemorating the end of WW2.

On Saturday 9th May, we plan to have displays in the village hall from 11.30am and invite you all to "bring a plate to share". We shall provide liquid refreshment. On page 13 of this Community Times there are requests for everybody to look out old photographs and objects which illustrate the end of the war in 1945. We are also looking at other suitable entertainment. If you have ideas please contact the Secretary. We want to make this a jolly affair for you all. There will be no charge. Afterwards the display will be moved to St James' Church where it will remain for a few more days. Please come and join us.

At our meeting on 13th January we had a fascinating talk from Chris Hunt on the history and relevance of our war memorials. Chris had done an enormous amount of research and we all learned something. It was excellent. We are currently investigating subjects for future talks and would welcome ideas.

At the same meeting we agreed to have a visit to the Stoke Fruit Farm on 6th May. Details will be published in the April Community Times and plans are in hand for a visit to the Hawker Restoration Centre at Elmsett Airfield.

Our next meeting is at 0730pm on 16 March in the Church Hall starting with liquid refreshments. All including non members are welcome. It will start with a short talk.



NAYLAND AND DISTRICT WOMENS INSTITUTE

President: Jeannette Finch 262993

Secretary: Lorna Rumsey 01787 211975

At our November meeting we had a very interesting talk given by Peter Jones about 'Jumbo: the history of Colchester's Water Tower' and we entertained two visiting WIs. We had a very enjoyable Christmas Fayre in the village hall, with the visitors enjoying our Christmas goodies. For our December meeting we had a lovely evening listening to and joining in with Brenda Green reciting poetry and singing songs, we also collected goodies for SESAW and the homeless.

2020 is the centenary of the Suffolk West Federation with many ideas to celebrate one hundred years.

On 20th January Revd Canon David Atkin will be talking on 'What Retirement Makes Possible'.

Looking ahead, on 17th February the subject of a talk by Georgina Ambrose from Beacon House will be 'Homelessness and Hope', on 16th March we will celebrate the 63rd anniversary of the Nayland branch of the WI with a celebration lunch and on 20th April Helen Drage and Jason Searle will talk on 'Eyes and Ears'.

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

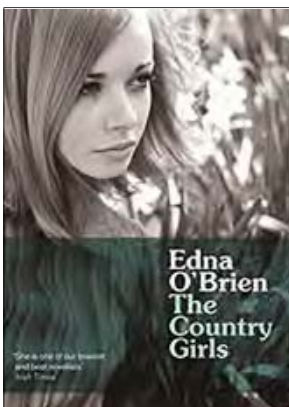


BOOK CLUB

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We have recently finished reading 'The Poppy Factory' by Liz Trenow, which highlights the effects of war on returning soldiers and their families. Jess returns home from her tour of Afghanistan haunted by nightmares from her time in the front. Her homecoming is a disaster. At her mother's house she finds her great-grandmother Rose's diaries. Rose wrote about her marriage to Alfie, a soldier in the First World War who lost a leg and came back a changed man. Both Alfie and Jess suffered the same demons, the alcoholism, anger and nightmares. The book describes how the Poppy Factory, set up after the War to help raise funds and supply returning injured veterans with jobs, helped Alfie and also Jess to begin to cope with life in peacetime.

Our next book is called 'The Country Girls', the first book in The Country Girls Trilogy, by Edna O'Brien.





THE FRIENDS OF ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NAYLAND

Registered Charity Number 1052641

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

It is a pleasure to report that we now have an indication from the Diocese that the work to remove pews outside the Servedry will shortly be agreed: so quotes for the work can be got. We have, after a successful year trying some new fund raising events, nearly £20k "in the kitty" which should go a long way towards paying for the works will bring such benefit to St James'. Writing of those events, we are now in the process of arranging more events in St James' which will take place between May and September.

COMMITTEE VACANCY

Our short AGM will be held as usual, in March, when we want to hear your opinion. Watch out for actual dates!

We have a vacancy on our Committee for a new member who would like to take particular responsibility for marketing the Friends' events, via local press, social media and the web, as well as playing a part in the general management of the Charity. If this appeals to you as a very worthwhile investment in local affairs, please email alan@edwards-online.net, who will be happy to provide more detail.



NAYLAND CINEMA

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Our last film for 2019 was 'Yesterday' screened on the 10th November. Attendance was good and it gave us all the opportunity to hear numerous hits by the Beatles albeit not sung by them! Having been filmed locally along the East Coast of Suffolk some landmarks were familiar with Ed Sheeran also making a guest appearance.

We have some entertaining, thought provoking and historical films for the next quarter to suit everybody's taste so please come along to support the cinema and catch up with friends over a glass of wine or beer.

By the time you read this article we will have screened 'The Affair' with a delicious afternoon tea served in the interval. If this proved popular we can consider similar fundraising events using this format throughout the year.

Future dates for the cinema to put in your 2020 diaries are:

- **21st February: 'Downton Abbey' (2019)** is a historical period drama a film written by Julian Fellowes. The setting now is 1927 and Lord and Lady Grantham (Hugh Bonneville and Elizabeth McGovern) receive a letter throwing the estate into a flurry of activity: King George V (Simon Jones) and Queen Mary (Geraldine James) will be coming to stay and make a military inspection of local troops. Lady Mary Talbot, the Crawley's eldest daughter calls back retired butler, Mr Carson (Jim Carter) to work with the current butler Thomas Barrow (Robert James-Collier) and Anna (Joanne Froggatt) to ensure the visit is a success. However, the downstairs staff become enraged when the monarch brings in his own servants and chef who pull rank. There is a visit from a mysterious military fellow who has disturbing plans for Irish chauffeur and former revolutionary Tom Branson (Allen Leech). Meanwhile the formidable Dowager Countess of Grantham (Maggie Smith) is perturbed that Maud, Lady Bagshaw, Queen Mary's lady-in-waiting, is included in the tour. There are pre-wedding tensions for cook Daisy (Sophie McShera) and footman Andy (Michael Fox); a pregnancy for the endlessly beleaguered Lady Edith (Laura Carmichael); a clandestine gay rendezvous for butler Thomas Barrow; an inheritance battle; a family member with a secret identity; a thief on the loose; a distractingly attractive plumber and an announcement from the Dowager Countess.
- **6th March: 'The Biggest Little Farm' (2018)** chronicles the eight-year quest of John and Molly Chester as they trade city living for 200 acres of barren farmland and a dream to harvest in harmony with nature. Through dogged perseverance and embracing the opportunity provided by nature's conflicts, the Chesters unlock and uncover a biodiverse design for living that exists far beyond their farm, its seasons, and our wildest imagination. Featuring breathtaking cinematography, captivating animals, and an urgent message to heed Mother Nature's call the film provides us all a vital blueprint for better living and a healthier planet.
- **20th March: 'Mrs Lowry & Son' (2019)** tells the story of artist L.S. Lowry (Tomothy Spall) and his complex and deeply troubled relationship with his mother, Elizabeth (Vanessa Redgrave). Set in 1934 - five years before both her passing and Lowry's first taste of success - the film chronicles Elizabeth's ongoing attempts to discourage her son's artistic ambitions. Bedridden and bitter about the life she's had, Elizabeth takes her frustration out on her son, who attends to her every need. But Lowry also continues to paint, finding beauty in his surroundings and an escape from his overbearing mother.
- **Friday 3rd April: 'Judy' (2019)** is a biographical drama film about American singer and actress Judy Garland. It is winter 1968, 30 years since she shot to global stardom in The Wizard of Oz, and showbiz legend Judy Garland (Renée Zellweger) arrives in Swinging London to perform a five-week sold-out run at The Talk of the Town which she is convinced will solve her financial and personal problems. The scenes are interspersed with glimpses of Judy's early life as a child star (played by Darci Shaw) under contract at MGM. As she prepares for the show, battles with management, struggles with addiction and insomnia, yet charms musicians and reminisces with friends and adoring fans, her wit and warmth shine through. Even her dreams of love seem undimmed as she embarks on a whirlwind romance with Mickey Deans (Finn Wittrock), her soon-to-be fifth husband. Featuring some of her best-known songs, the film celebrates the voice, the capacity for love, and the sheer pizzazz of 'the world's greatest entertainer'.
- **17th April: 'The Current War' (2017)** is an American historical drama film inspired by the 19th century competition between three brilliant visionaries in a charged battle to literally light up the modern world. Benedict Cumberbatch is Thomas Edison, the celebrity inventor on the verge of bringing electricity to Manhattan with his radical new DC technology. On the eve of triumph, his plans are upended by charismatic businessman George Westinghouse (Michael Shannon), who believes he and his partner, the upstart genius Nikolai Tesla (Nicholas Hoult), have a superior idea for how to rapidly electrify America: with AC current.



THE VILLAGE LUNCH

Jo Murrison 262369

The next Village Lunch will be held on Wednesday 22nd April when our speaker will be Peter Lawrence; the subject of his talk is to be announced. Peter is an excellent speaker not to be missed. He has entertained and enlightened us previously and is a very popular at the village lunches.

The lunch will be held in the Village Hall, 11.45am for 12 noon, with lunch at 1pm. Tickets at £12.50 will be available at the Post Office (afternoons only) from 23rd March until 18th April unless previously sold out. Tickets are limited.

The autumn Village Lunch will be on Wednesday 21st October when the speaker will be Mark Mitchels.



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. 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 WITH WISSINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

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On Monday evening the 9th December at Nayland Village Hall Archaeologist Jo Caruth entertained a large audience of members, guests and visitors with the latest developments on the Court Knoll Project.

In her talk Jo Carruth gave a summary of the history of the site and the excavations organised by the Society and also referred to the latest developments arising from the expert analysis of glass and charcoal.

In the report on the glass fragments the expert concluded that "the Court Knoll glass is a forest type glass.....it is very unusual in several respects and no exact match has been found for it.....the glass is perhaps from the 13th Century or slightly earlier, in which case this is a rare early example of the use of Forest Glass in England. Glazing for the Palace of Westminster was procured at this time and any contemporary glazed buildings would also have been of similar status".

The charcoal expert reported that "the absence of evidence of beetle tunnels.....indicates that the wood was not heavily decayed at the time of burning; implying that the chapel was not deliberately demolished due to age or poor condition.....the small size and shape of the pieces suggest some form of decoration or carving detail.....and that carved motifs or something similar extended around the chapel".

Bearing in mind the existence of the late Saxon polychrome tile (previously reported) the addition of these latest disclosures lend support to the theory that this Anglo-Saxon chapel may have been of very high status. Further expert analysis continues and news will be released as and when appropriate.

The Society's Swift Box Project continues apace with the good news that Babergh District Council have approved the location and type of box to be erected (many of the boxes are located within the Conservation Area and will be affixed to listed buildings). It is hoped that our contractor will be able to start the installation by the end of March.

The Society's AGM will take place on the 9th of March and after the usual formalities members and guests will have an opportunity to listen to Professor Jules Pretty on the future of the world in 12 objects.....addressing climate change at home. Jules is always a fascinating and stimulating speaker and his choice of subject is especially topical.

Finally, it is with some disappointment that I report the Environment Agency have refused to consider the installation of a river level gauge in Nayland. Notwithstanding the problems suffered by the river in the past 12 months they remain of the opinion that the existing gauges at Lamarsh and Langham are adequate. In the circumstances we must rely upon residents to spot and report any problems in the future.





NAYLAND FIRE STATION

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

Congratulations to Tony Gardner for 45 years service at Nayland Fire Station

On 20th January 2020, Tony Gardner retired from Suffolk Fire & Rescue Service exactly 45 years to the day he joined in 1975.

Tony's career at Nayland has spanned many changes in the fire service and seen him respond to incidents across the county as firefighter and Watch Commander and we are extremely proud of his service to the community. Tony's dedication, leadership and sense of humour will be missed at the station and the crew would like to thank him for his long service - a record unlikely to be beaten!

Thanks to everyone who braved the weather and brought along pumpkins to Light Up the Drill Tower in November. Over 60 pumpkins decorated the tower and donations on the night raised £115 for The FireFighters Charity. We are delighted to be able to support the charity which provides services for serving and retired firefighters and their families through a range of physical, psychological and social support programmes.

Don't forget, throughout the year you can declutter and continue to support the charity's work by recycling clothes, paired shoes, handbags and linen in the big yellow box outside the Fire Station - even (clean) old grey underwear will be put to good use!



THE FRIENDS OF CALEY GREEN

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Gordon the goose has returned to the bus stop somewhat earlier than previous years, perhaps spring is in the air!

The resident swans and the one remaining cygnet are doing well. There has been no return of the other four cygnets during the winter so far, hopefully they have settled in their new location.

Owls can now be heard hooting to each other every night usually between 11pm and midnight from the trees on the green.



NAYLAND CHOIR

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Nayland Choir enjoyed a fine finish to 2019. Our winter concert *Jubilate* attracted an excellent audience who not only appreciated the choir in fine form but also the excellent support from a very professional brass ensemble, top notch percussionists and a superb organist. The "Gloria" by John Rutter with choir and all musicians in full flow was a very stirring finish. The evening in The Anchor singing carols and Christmas songs saw all present in robust voice. Always a fun evening this one. Then the year was rounded off in traditional manner with the service of carols and readings in the magnificent St James' church. The choir always loves being part of this very well attended annual community event which marks the beginning of Christmas proper for many.

The spring sees a new style of event and a change of date to that previously announced. On 25th April (not 21st March as previously announced) we will be holding a singing workshop in the village hall followed by a concert, '**A Red, Red Rose**'. Music will be songs from around the British Isles. Rehearsals begin on Thursday 23rd January in Nayland School at 8pm.

As always, new singers are very welcome. No audition is required to join Nayland Choir, just show up and join in.

For more information please call 07954334548 or see naylandchoir.org



NAYLAND BELL RINGERS

Chris Hunt, Tower Captain 262 014

FANCY SOMETHING ELSE TO DO IN THE VILLAGE?

Many people in the village often remark how they like to hear the church bells ring out. Church bells are rung for weddings, special occasions, practice and enjoyment and of course for church services. The patterns they ring are many centuries old and provide a fascinating and enjoyable art.

BUT, bells do not ring themselves. On the end of a rope is a person to work it. You don't have to be musical or strong to ring bells - you simply need to be interested and committed enough to 'learn the ropes' and to turn up for regular service ringing. We are getting short of ringers at Nayland so if you feel you can give us some help and commitment you will be more than welcome to join us. If you feel you would like to join us please give the Tower Captain a 'ring'....262014



OVER 60s CLUB

Secretary: Barbara Smith 501492

President: Eva Rolfe 263151

The date of our December meeting coincided with the Luncheon Club's Christmas Party. We would like to thank Olga Alexander and the Over Sixties Luncheon Club team for their hard work organising a lovely party at Longwood Barn, which several of our members enjoyed.

We do not meet in January so our next Over 60s meetings will be on 13th February, 12th March and 9th April at Parkers Way. 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 Christmas Party at Longwood Barn was held on 12th December; as the photos show the kitchen was bustling with activity and a merry time was had by all.

Thanks are due to Olga Alexander and her dedicated team of helpers who put on the excellent and enjoyable monthly lunches.

Looking ahead, monthly lunches will be held on Tuesdays; 28th January, 25th February, 31st March and 28th April. 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 ART GROUP

Daphne Berry 262641

We ended last term with a well organised Christmas lunch - thank you Suzy - at the Saracens Head at Newton Green. Twenty-one members and friends attended.

This term began with a full house when we welcomed Margaret Amos back after her illness. Tutors will be joining us on two afternoons each month and we hope to fit in visits to exhibitions in the area.

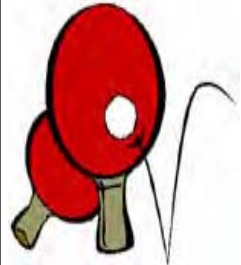


TABLE TENNIS CLUB

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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 AND DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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A happy horticultural New Year to you all.

HortSoc would like to thank everyone for their support of our stall at the Christmas Fayre, whether donating items, manning the stall or purchasing items.

Our first event this year is on **Tuesday 17th March** when our **Spring Speaker**, Rob Sherriff, is giving a talk on 'Growing cut flowers alongside nature's visitors' in the Church Hall, 7.30pm.

Our annual **Spring Flower Show** is being held in the Church Hall on **Saturday 21st March**. This event promises to be a colourful occasion, so come along and enjoy the displays of spring flowers and relax with refreshments. Cakes will be on sale and there will also be a raffle. It is open for visitors from 10am to 12 noon, entry is free. We would be very grateful for donations of cakes, or prizes for the raffle – please drop off at the Church Hall in Bear Street early on the day of the show or give to a committee member beforehand.

For those interested in exhibiting, full details and entry forms are on page 37, or can be downloaded from our website. Entries for the show should be brought along between 8.15am-9am on the 21st, as judging will need to take place before the public display. The coffee morning opens at 10.00am. Winners of each class will be awarded a certificate and the Olive Noakes Cup will be awarded for the most successful exhibitor.

Membership for 2020 is now available and good value at just £3 for single or £5 for joint membership. Application forms are available at any of our events, from Margaret Smy.

Schedules for the **Summer Flower Show** to be held on **Saturday 1st August** will be distributed in March and are also available in the Post Office, or can be downloaded from our website. The subject for the photography section will be 'Water', so don't forget to get out and about with your cameras soon to capture some interesting shots. Hort Soc are grateful to the advertisers in the schedule who enable us to fund this promotion.

Here are some further dates for your diary:

14th April	AGM and Quiz
9th May	Morning Market
17th June	Coach outing to Kew Gardens - <i>booking form on page 12</i>
July	Summer Garden Party – venue and date to be announced
1st August	Summer Flower Show
13th September	Coach outing to Fairhaven Woodland and Water Garden





NAYLAND CARPET BOWLS CLUB

Chair: Ted Blanchette 07836551032 tedblanchette@tiscali.co.uk
 Captain: Mervyn Farthing 01206 851739 mervynpaul@btinternet

The Carpet Bowls Club ended 2019 with a social evening enjoying a fish and chip supper, some delicious puddings made by Mary, Lin & Sally-Ann - thank you ladies - a few games of bingo organised by Paul. A thoroughly good social evening was had by all.

We finished our 2019 winter league holding top place in our league. We now go into the second half of the league with some difficult opponents to play but approach the games with a positive outlook and try to maintain our league position.



VILLAGE PLAYERS

www.villageplayers.co.uk



Chair: Justin Dowding 01206 262217 jpdowding@gmail.com

Thank you to everyone who watched our production of 'The Lion in Winter' in December. We had a great turnout to all three performances and lots of positive feedback! Congratulations to our leads, John McCarroll and Jackie Grant and of course our director, Jim Bond.

Rehearsals have already begun for our next play: the classic comedy 'Absurd Person Singular', by Alan Ayckbourn. Directed by Emma Wallis, performances will be on March 26th at 6:30pm, and March 27th & 28th at 8pm. It's just £7.50 for adults and £6 for under 16s. Tickets are already on sale online, and you will also be able to purchase them at the Post Office in mid-February.

We are always on the lookout for new members who would like to become involved in future productions – be it on stage, set building, costumes, or a myriad of roles behind the scenes. Do please get in touch!

For more information on the Village Players, including photographs of previous productions, head to villageplayers.co.uk



View from the lighting box with Ian Fulcher

COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S RAFFLE AT THE VILLAGE QUIZ

Donations of prizes for the Community Council's raffle at the **Fun Village Quiz - on Friday 7th February** - would be very much appreciated and can be left at 107 Bear Street or 9 Birch Street or brought along on the evening.

New FORGE YOUTH GROUP

For 11-18 year olds in our local area.
 Starting soon in Stoke by Nayland,
 regular Friday night drop-ins.

Recruiting **VOLUNTEERS**
 - no minimum commitment, all welcome.

Please contact:
forgeyouthgroup.sbn@gmail.com
 if interested.

Nayland with Wissington Conservation Society

Registered Charity No. 268104

NAYLAND OPEN GARDENS

SUNDAY
 14th JUNE
 2020

If anyone would
 like to include
 their garden on the list,
 please contact
 Mike Hunter on 264100
 or Jill Slater on 262145



www.naylandconservation.org.uk



NAYLAND SCHOOL CHOIRS

Emma Bishton and Jayne Kennedy

MUSIC MARK AWARD

Nayland Primary School had a very pleasant surprise on Friday 17th January, when a large envelope containing a coveted Music Mark Award certificate arrived. The school (unknown to them) had been nominated by Suffolk Music Hub for this national award in recognition of the music provision in school.

Eligible schools have to demonstrate a willingness to engage in development conversations related to improving music provision; recognise the value of music education as part of a broad and balanced curriculum and have strategies for music in place which provide for all children.

The school were delighted to be recognised for the hard work of staff, pupils and parents who, over many years, have either developed and/or supported extra curricula, curricula and cross-curricula music making and learning at Nayland.



Woodland Corner

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

Registered Charity
No. 1035330

We would like to welcome our new starters this term for both pre-school and extended schools.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Tombola stall at the Nayland Community Christmas Fayre, we raised £233. We have used the proceeds from our fundraising efforts to enhance our use of ICT equipment. We have also purchased a large trolley for transporting our Forest School equipment from Woodland Corner into the woods.

We are busy planning our next fundraising events and hope to see you at our Family Bingo on Saturday 29th February in the Village Hall, and at the Cake Sale outside Kerridge's Butchers on Saturday 21st March 2020.

This term we are learning about 'Space'. We have been finding out what the children already know and what they would like to learn. We are learning new songs and rhymes and they love the new planet song by Bemular. We have invested in a 'Curiosity Cube' to encourage children's questioning and critical thinking. Jo Jingles' singing and music sessions started last term and we have continued this term. Our extended schools children have enjoyed the 'Hama' beads and all the Christmas Crafts. With our external LED lights we have been able to play outside on the darkest of days.

Next term our focus will be on Planet Earth. We will be learning and finding out about how our planet is split into different continents (the children want to bring in their maps from home to share!) We will be discussing global warming and the effects it has on habitats. We will ask the children how they recycle at home and we will discuss the differences between Essex and Suffolk's recycling processes.



Photographs during the last week of term when children from pre-school performed a play 'The Littlest Christmas Tree'





NAYLAND BABY & TODDLER GROUP

Leaders: Anna Easdon 07826 153023 easdownanna@gmail.com



Nayland Baby and Toddler Group had a successful year, welcoming new families to the group each week. Our Christmas session was particularly fun with music & singing, delicious mince pies from Ker-ridges and to top it off Revd Mark Woodrow reading the 'knitvity' story to the children with a set of knitted dolls. The children were captivated for a whole 15 minutes, a true Christmas miracle, I'm sure you'll agree!

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of the volunteers who helped last year and signed up again for 2020. The group is important to the community and we are extremely grateful to those who have contributed to help keep the group running.

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. Entrance is £3.50 per family. Coffee, tea and cake are served to the parents/carers and healthy snack options for kids.

The group is run by mums and carers who kindly volunteer their help each week and we are continuously looking for new volunteers. If you are in a position to help out please do contact us on the number below.

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 had a lovely time at our last Messy Church where we made jam jar lanterns, edible advent rings and our own advent candles too.

From January 2020 Messy Church will be on the fourth Sunday of the month to avoid a clash with the new Family Service at Nayland which will held at 10am whenever there is a fifth Sunday.

Our next Messy Church is on Sunday 26th January when we will be Christdingleing.

Following that we will meet on Sunday 23rd February, when we will have a Pancake Party, and Sunday 22nd March. These will take place at Stoke by Nayland Village Hall.

From April, when the weather will be warmer, our meetings will move back to take place in St Mary's Church, Stoke by Nayland.

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.





VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Registered Charity No 304 928

Chairman: Iain Wright 263646

Secretary: Christine Thompson 262825



NOVEMBER 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 read out.
- The three hour fire equipment check will be carried out over Christmas.
- Someone will be found to clear the gutters and to repair the guttering at the front near the main door.
- It was noted at the meeting that the kitchen shutters are difficult to open.
- The monthly fire check for October was carried out. No problems were found.
- The annual Health and Safety check of the hall will be carried out.

HALL MATTERS AND MAINTENANCE

- The issue of the new paintwork that has peeled is ongoing. Kent Blaxill's were contacted again but a reply has not been received. They will be contacted again.
- Quotes will be sought for wooden doors that can be installed in front of the bar and kitchen shutters.

ROOF REPLACEMENT & FUNDRAISING

- Babergh Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) team requested more details on the scheme including a report on the materials that we are proposing to use for the roof renewal and our reasons for doing so. These were sent within their deadline of 31st October. We await their response which is expected in February.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Nayland Choir has donated £150 to the Hall. The VHMC would like to thank them.

BOOKINGS & WEBSITE

- The website is working well.
- The Hall is well used. Hirers are advised to book now for 2020.
- There will be some new dance classes starting next year.

CINEMA

- The possibility is being investigated of live streaming from the Royal Opera House and other London theatres.
- One licence was signed.

AOB

- The VHMC would like to thank Johnny and Yvonne Spooner for their care of the hall and Ned Cartwright, Norman Ryan and Richard Freeman for their help with the cinema

JANUARY COMMITTEE MEETING

MATTERS ARISING & HOUSEKEEPING BOOK

- The Comments Book was checked. No new comments.
- The Calendar (monthly tasks) was read out.
- Locks will be asked to carry out the 5 year testing of the electrical equipment and to check on the light sensor in the gents toilets.
- The gutters have been cleaned.
- The monthly fire check and the 3 hour emergency lighting check was carried out.

CLASSES & GROUPS IN THE VILLAGE HALL

- Mondays: 9.30 Acrylic Painting, 2pm Table Tennis
- Tuesdays: 10am Botanical Drawing (*April*)
- Wednesdays: 10am Fun Dancing, 7pm Carpet Bowls Club
- Thursdays: 10am Pilates Fit
- Fridays: 9.30am Baby & Toddler Group, 11.30 Zumba Fitness

Further details of these classes are available on the village hall bookings website via www.naylandandwiston.net.

- The Bar Exit door needs repairing and the fire extinguishers will be inspected.
- As a result of the Health and Safety inspection, the following work will be carried out: the freezer in the bar will be cleaned, new brackets will be put on the handrail on the stairs leading to the stage, the broken green first aid box in the kitchen will be removed, the price of a shower enclosure for the referees' shower will be investigated, the manufacturer of the lift will be contacted re servicing, some disabled parking signs will be obtained to place on the windows of the hall.

HALL MATTERS AND MAINTENANCE

- Elizabeth Cash from Kent Blaxill's has offered to help solve the problem of the peeling paint. Gary Napper has offered to scrape off the old paint.
- Quotes will be sought for wooden doors that can be installed in front of the bar and kitchen shutters.

ROOF REPLACEMENT & FUNDRAISING

- We await a response from Babergh Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) team regarding a grant towards the roof: this is expected in February.

- The Community Council will be asked for fundraising ideas.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- COIF Endowment £14,767, COIF £19,203, Bank £9,577, Cash £223, Assets £156,397, Debtors £0.
- At the moment there is a surplus of £5,584.
- Donations of £2,450 have been received towards the new roof.

BOOKINGS & WEBSITE

- There will be some CEROC dances taking place for the first time this year.

CINEMA

- The cinema is proving popular. An interesting programme is planned for 2020.
- The next event will be an afternoon tea and a showing of the film partly filmed in Nayland 'The Affair'.

AOB

- Richard Addis from Stoke by Nayland Football Club emailed the VHMC suggesting that a barrier needs to be erected to stop cars being driven onto the pitch, causing damage, resulting in cancellations of matches. Richard also attended the meeting. The VHMC agreed to do this, using steel posts which would be concreted in with some being removable to allow for the grass cutter and fire engine to access the field
- Anglian Water have sent a report requesting that double check valves be installed. Brian May will be asked to do this.
- The Valuation Office require details of the hall's rent and lease.
- The rubbish on the Fen Street side of the field needs to be cleared and a large pothole filled in.

NEXT MEETING

- The next meeting on **Monday 3rd February** at 7.30pm will be downstairs in the bar area.
- The date of the next Garden Working Party is **Saturday 28th March** at 9am.

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 VHMC.



Garden Notes

by *The Old Muckspreader*

One of the favourite parts on the OM/S' garden is now a sheet of gold – or yellow at any rate. This is what he calls The Glade, a small area shaded by a dozen or so native Oaks and Limes. They were probably planted to give a bit of protection to the house, since both appear to date from about 1850. The gold comes from a plantation of Winter Aconites (*Wranthus Hiemalis*) which makes their appearance at this time of year from insignificant looking corms. By March the foliage will have disappeared, making them difficult to find, since the corms resemble lumps of soil. Although they are supplied by most nurseries and seed merchants they don't flower readily after being dried out, and are best acquired as the saying goes "in the green". They are easily dug up and don't appear to mind being moved. About 40 years ago the OM/S planted a dozen under the big Lilac bush on the right hand side of the path to the main door of Nayland church. This has now become a

decent sized clump, and provided the foliage is allowed to die down naturally in March and doesn't get cut down by the first mowing, it should spread further.

The next feature of The Glade, just beginning now, is a river of Snowdrops, mostly the common *Galanthus Nivalis*, by including a few of the larger species. They will eventually set seed and increase naturally, but if you want to speed things up you can give nature a helping hand by splitting and replanting in clumps of four or five bulbs. There is a fine display at Anglesey Abbey, near Cambridge – well worth a visit at this time of year.

The OM/S has written in the past about Galanthophiles, who go mad about the Snowdrop family, and spend vast sums of money on a single bulb. On a visit to Anglesey with his family the OM/S mentioned this to his daughter-in-law, who didn't believe him. Fortunately (having had a quick look around the sales area) he was able to show her a pot of a single very ordinary looking one priced at £50.

After the Snopdrops it's the turn of the Bluebells. From about 50 bulbs, dug up in the wild but only because the site then became a second hand car dump, there is now a decent display; though it's a bit dry for them to reach their maximum height, this year after all the rain they may well do so.

The next semi-wild part of the garden to prove its worth is what was probably the vegetable garden in Victorian times. Now it's mostly rough grass apart from a large Catalpa tree, it contains several drifts of Fritillaries. This is a useful naturaliser and gives a good display in early summer. If planted now Anglia Bulbs offer them quite cheaply in their summer catalogue.

Next time we meet, it will be Spring, with plenty to talk about.

WORDSEARCH: Bird regulars in Nayland

ANAGRAMS: Garden Birds

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BLUE TIT	HOUSE SPARROW	MOORHEN	SWAN
COLLARED DOVE	JACKDAW	PHEASANT	THRUSH
CROW	JAY	PIGEON	WILLOW WARBLER
DUNNOCK	KINGFISHER	RED KITE	WREN

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SOME SPECIAL TREES AT WISTON

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES



in 1620 when the Puritan colony in Massachusetts was founded. In 1630 there were 1,000 emigrants who made the voyage led by John Winthrop of Groton, Suffolk, to the newly founded settlement of Salem in Massachusetts. Five families from Nayland and Wiston were on his flagship *The Arbella*.

One of these was the Warren family, John Warren with his wife Margaret and their 4 year old son Daniel. Two years ago one of John Warren's descendants, Jeremy Warren who still lives in Massachusetts, visited Nayland to see the home of his ancestors. He knew there had been four generations of his family living in our parish including Robert Warren who was born in 1485 in Wiston and died there in 1544. It was Robert's great grandson, John, who lived in Nayland, who risked the voyage across the Atlantic to settle in Massachusetts. I did not know about the tree when Jeremy Warren visited and I am sure he will be interested to hear about it.

Looking at the tree today and reflecting on the history it represents, both locally and nationally, it

is difficult for us to imagine what it must have been like for the emigrants to give up their homes and possessions to risk a hazardous voyage of 3,000 miles across the Atlantic in search of a new life. We can only admire their courage.

Suki has told me about two other special trees on the mill site which have been labelled with their interesting histories. One is an Oak tree grown from an acorn planted in the 1990s which she and Jeremy brought back from South Africa. The tree in South Africa had been grown from an acorn of a tree in the Churchill Estate at Blenheim, Oxfordshire, and taken to South Africa. The second tree is a Taxodium "Evergreen Swamp Cypress tree from the Florida Everglades" planted by the mill pool. Sadly this was badly affected by the 1987 Hurricane but is surviving well.

What a good idea to label these special trees which hopefully will survive for many years to come. There are probably other trees in the parish which are worthy of recognition and labelling but I very much doubt that there is another tree which can compete with the unique history of the chestnut tree at Wiston Mill.

Wendy Sparrow, Parish Recorder

[References: *History of Suffolk* by David Dymond and Peter Northeast; the *Oxford Companion to Local and Family History*]

I wonder how many people have noticed this sign on a tree next to the bridge in front of Wiston Mill? For most of the year it is almost invisible, lost amongst the foliage, but at this time of the year it can clearly be seen. Suki and the late Jeremy Cohen who have lived at the mill for 35 years planted the conker which was given to them by a friend who had brought it back from America and it is good to see the tree is thriving, despite the central leader branch being eaten by escaping sheep some years ago!

This tree in such a quiet rural spot is an intriguing symbol of Nayland and Wiston's part in what became known as the Great Migration to the New World. Since the Middle Ages small numbers of people had emigrated to the Low Countries and other parts of the Continent but it was not until the early 17th century that emigration of any significance took place. Life in Suffolk at this time was difficult, the woollen cloth industry was declining, there were outbreaks of plague and much religious and political upheaval which led to about 650 people from Suffolk leaving for the New World.

The emigration to America began in 1607 when the first settlement in Virginia was established. This year, 2020, is the 400th anniversary of the crossing of the Atlantic by the *Mayflower*

NOTICE FROM THE NAYLAND FENHOLDERS



By now many residents have probably noticed that the old stile in Candy Lane has been replaced by a new 'kissing' gate.

This new gate was funded by the Dedham Vale AONB Sustainable Development Fund and we hope that it will make access to the Fen easier.

Some people may not be aware that the Fen is no ordinary field. It has an unusual and historic status. There has never

been a designated footpath or right of way across the field but it is legally registered as Common Land with no owner. In 2000 it became Open Access Land under the Countryside and Rights of Way Act, known as 'Right to Roam'. As well as all this it has ancient grazing rights upon it and the owners of these rights are legally registered as occupiers of the Fen.

In days gone by the owners of grazing rights had animals of their own which grazed on the Fen but these days all the grazing rights are hired out to a local farmer whose cattle we see every year during the summer months.

The Fenholders would like to take this opportunity to appeal to all dog owners to PLEASE KEEP YOUR DOG ON A LEAD while the cattle are on the Fen. Most people respect this request but in the past there have been incidents of cattle being worried by dogs out of control and as a result some cattle have been known to abort their young. Under the 2000 Act dogs attacking or threatening livestock can legally be shot.

Last year there was an instance on Sudbury's water meadows of a dog chasing a cow into the river. The distressed animal was submerged in the water and it took the owners 4 hours to get it out. Hopefully we will never see anything like that happen in Nayland.

So, we hope you will enjoy walking over the Fen but please keep your dog on a lead when the cattle are there.

Photo: Mig and Peter Drew and their dogs Dilys and Gertie using the new gate

CLIMATOLOGICAL & WEATHER REPORT: Nayland 2019 November & December by David Lowe

NOVEMBER

November was colder than the average with a mean temperature of 6.8°, 1° lower than the 12 year average. There were 5 ground frosts and 4 air frosts - and 17 days on which the temperature did not reach 10° - normally 12. 15° was not reached on any day - very unusual - with 14.2° on the 1st being the highest. Bright sunshine hours were 83 - a whisker over the normal of 81. The stand out winner on sunshine hours was November 2017, with 105.8 hrs.

Monthly rain was 65 mm - bang on normal - though it seemed wet, after a wet October. There were no days with 20 mm of rain - 2 days over 10mm.

Average wind speed was 4.6 mph against an average of 3.6, the second windiest of the 12 year period, after 2017 and 2018. Novembers definitely seem to be getting windier.

As is invariably the case, November weather reflected the position and strength of the jet stream. It was normally over us or just to the south, which meant plenty of low pressure systems but fairly mobile. It also meant a wind mainly from the west or north-west.

This meant no really mild or really cold weather. Fortunately we missed out on fronts and low pressure centres becoming stationary over us, which caused flooding problems elsewhere.

DECEMBER

In December, the jet stream was right over us for the first three weeks - then to the northwest. Thus first three weeks very wet - and fourth, dryish.

December had an average temp of 6.2° against an average of 5.5°, as a result of a little more tropical origin air in the mix. It often felt chilly, but there was no severely cold weather and no really mild weather. The max temp was 13.2° - the average max - and the lowest, -2.4°. There were 10 ground frosts and 9 air frosts - about average. Bright sunshine was 54.2 hrs - just over the average of 49.1. Decembers have become less sunny over the 12 year period.

Monthly rainfall was well above average at 94.6 mm - average 57.9 mm. This was the second wettest December over the 12 year period. It is thus no surprise that the Stour valley was flooded for several days. Cold fronts can still generate short-lived, high intensity rainfall in December - a rate of 43.6 mm/hr on 06.12 was somewhat over the monthly average high rate of 37.95 on no day was over 20mm recorded - 2 went over 10mm.

Average wind speed was 5.7 mph - over the 12 year average of 3.93. Highest gust was 40 mph - with three days over 30 mph.

TWO DECEMBERS OF EXTREMES AND OVERALL TREND FOR NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

In reviewing Decembers over the last 12 years, there are two significant variants from the norm:

1. Extreme Cold

2010 had a mean temperature of 0.7°, - 4.8° below the average of 5.5°. It had a max of 8.6° - 4.6° below the average max - and a minimum of at least -12.4°. I say at least, because the thermometer became buried in snow, which would have insulated it to some extent from temperature fall. That said, -12.4° is much the coldest temperature over the 12 year period - and against an average December minimum of -3.67°!

There were 23 days with air frost against an average of 7.8, and 6 days below -5° min - also 6 days when the temp failed to rise above 0°. On 25 days, it failed to reach 5°.

Bright sun hours were 31.7 - the lowest of the 12 year period - average 49.1.

Rainfall was light at 19.6 mm - though this may, in part, be down to the difficulty of converting snow to rainfall!

Winds were the lightest for the 12 year period, with an average of 2.7 mph and max of 31 mph.

I well recall this period, as I was able to make several trips to the Welney Washes for ice skating. Some incredible winter scenes there, with wild swans and wildfowl in a frosty landscape.

So what happened to cause this - in a word (or two) Sudden Stratospheric Warming. Once in a while (not every year) the air warms up at high altitude over the north pole - and this causes the normal polar vortex, which drives the jet stream beneath, to disintegrate. This in turn lets the cold polar air beneath to pour out, sometimes, and in this instance, over us!

2. Extreme Warmth

By contrast, 2015 had an average temperature of 10.3°, almost double the average and with a max of 15.7°. There wasn't one day with a frost of any sort, and only 3 days when the temperature failed to reach 10° - normally 21. The temperature reached 15° on three days - only on one other day over the 12 year period has 15° been reached.

However, bright sunlight hours at 36.8 were less than average, rainfall a bit below average - and wind slightly above average. The max gust was 30 mph. The reason - persistent winds from south and south-west round high pressure over North France.

3. Overall November/December Trend

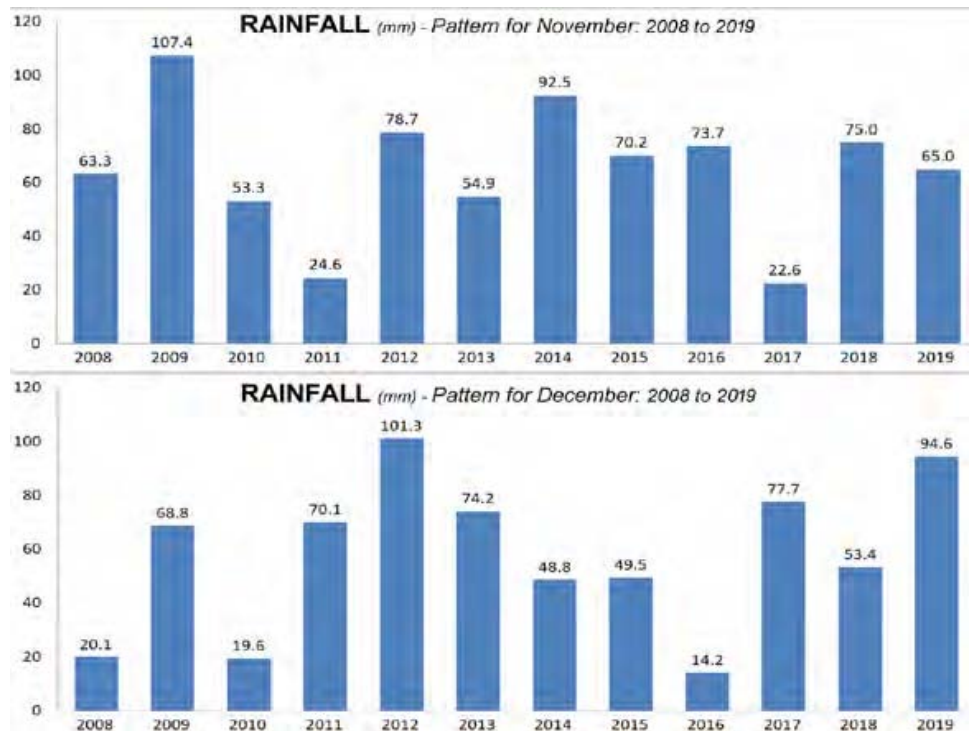
An identifiable trend has been for them to become windier.


INITIAL 2019 OVERVIEW

I intend to give a full overview when the complete rotation of months has been covered, but some initial observations below:

1. Mean Temperature: 11.0° (day & night)
2. Highest Temperature: 35.8° on 25 July
3. Highest Mo. Av. Temp: 18.7° - July
4. Lowest Temp: -6.5° on 1 January
5. Lowest Mo Av. Temp: 3.9° January
6. Total Rainfall: 626.9 mm
7. No. of days over 20mm rain: 3
8. Wettest Day: 25.4 mm on 6 October
9. Mean Wind Speed: 5 mph
10. Highest Av. Wind Speed: 6.1 mph - April
11. Strongest Gust: 42 mph on 3 March

Rainfall in 2019 was the third heaviest over the 12 year period - and 2018 the 6th. 2017 was the 10th. So the last two years haven't been bad for rain, though there have been dry periods of several months within that - made up for before and after.





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on Saturday 21st March 2020

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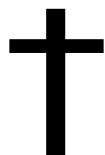
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FIVE PARISHES CHURCH SERVICES: FEBRUARY & MARCH

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>
26 th January <i>Epiphany 3</i>	8.00am	Stoke	HC 2	Rev'd Mark Woodrow	10.00am	Stoke	MP	Jane Addis
	10.00am	Nayland	HC 1	Rev'd Mark Woodrow	4.00pm	Stoke VH	Messy Ch.	Messy Church Team
	10.00am	Leavenheath	HC 1	Rev'd Valri Armstrong	6.30pm	Wiston	Evensong	Rev'd Mark Woodrow
2 nd February <i>Candlemas</i>	8.00am	Nayland	HC 2	Rev'd Mark Woodrow	10.00am	Wiston	MP	Derek Johns
	10.00am	Polstead	HC 1	Rev'd Mark Woodrow	6.30pm	Stoke	Evensong	Jane Addis
	10.00am	Leavenh. VH	First Sunday	First Sunday Team				
9 th February <i>3 before Lent</i>	8.00am	Stoke	HC 2	Rev'd John Fowler	10.00am	Polstead	MP	Derek Johns
	10.00am	Wiston	HC 1	Rev'd John Fowler	6.30pm	Nayland	Evensong	David Pryor
	10.00am	Leavenheath	MP	David Rowe				
16 th February <i>2 before Lent</i>	8.00am	Wiston	HC 2	Rev'd Simon White	10.00am	Polstead	family@polstead	Family Service Team
	10.00am	Stoke	HC 1	Rev'd Simon White	6.30pm	Leavenh. VH	Ev Praise	Evening Praise Team
	10.00am	Nayland	MP	Family Service Team				
23 rd February <i>1 before Lent</i>	8.00am	Stoke	HC 2	Rev'd Mark Woodrow	10.00am	Stoke	MP	Jane Addis
	10.00am	Nayland	HC 1	Rev'd Mark Woodrow	4.00pm	Stoke VH	Messy Ch.	Messy Church Team
	10.00am	Leavenheath	HC 1	Rev'd Valri Armstrong	6.30pm	Wiston	Evensong	Rev'd Mark Woodrow
26 th February <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	7.00pm	Polstead	HC 1	Rev'd Mark Woodrow				
1 st March <i>Lent 1</i>	8.00am	Nayland	HC 2	Rev'd Mark Woodrow	10.00am	Wiston	MP	Derek Johns
	10.00am	Polstead	HC 1	Rev'd Mark Woodrow	6.30pm	Stoke	Evensong	Jane Addis
	10.00am	Leavenh. VH	First Sunday	First Sunday Team				
8 th March <i>Lent 2</i>	8.00am	Stoke	HC 2	Rev'd John Fowler	10.00am	Polstead	MP	David Rowe
	10.00am	Wiston	HC 1	Rev'd Mark Woodrow	6.30pm	Nayland	Evensong	Rev'd Mark Woodrow
	10.00am	Leavenheath	MP	Rev'd John Fowler				
15 th March <i>Lent 3</i>	8.00am	Wiston	HC 2	Rev'd Simon White	10.00am	Polstead	family@polstead	Family Service Team
	10.00am	Stoke	HC 1	Rev'd Mark Woodrow	6.30pm	Leavenh. VH	Ev Praise	Evening Praise Team
	10.00am	Nayland	MP	David Pryor				
22 nd March <i>Mothering Sunday</i>	8.00am	Stoke	HC 2	Rev'd Mark Woodrow	10.00am	Stoke	MP	Jane Addis
	10.00am	Nayland	HC 1	Rev'd Valri Armstrong	4.00pm	Stoke VH	Messy Ch.	Messy Church Team
	10.00am	Leavenheath	HC 1	Rev'd Mark Woodrow	6.30pm	Wiston	Evensong	Rev'd Mark Woodrow
<i>29th March - Clocks Spring Forward</i>								
29 th March <i>Lent 5</i>	8.00am	Stoke	HC 2	Rev'd Mark Woodrow	6.30pm	Leavenheath	Evensong	Rev'd Mark Woodrow
	10.00am	Nayland	family@nayland	Family Service Team				
5 th April <i>Palm Sunday</i>	8.00am	Stoke	HC 2	Rev'd Mark Woodrow	6.30pm	Wiston	Evensong	David Pryor
	10.00am	Nayland	HC 1 Palm S.	Rev'd Valri Armstrong				

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, HC 1 Palm S. : HC1 Palm Sunday *Note: Worship leaders may be subject to change*

Other Services and Groups

MESSY CHURCH: Messy Church is held on Sundays (usually the fourth Sunday) at 4pm-6pm. Messy Church dates are: 26th January, 23rd February, 22nd March at Stoke village hall and 26th April at Stoke Church 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.

Other Dates for your Diary

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Saturday 4th April
10th-13th April
Monday 25th May

St James' Annual Vestry Meeting and Annual Parochial Church Meeting Church Hall
St Mary's Annual Vestry Meeting and Annual Parochial Church Meeting
St James' Churchyard Spring Working Party 9.30am [See page 12]
Easter weekend
Nayland Church Fete, Webb's Meadow 2-4pm [See page 22]

Dear All, New Beginnings

Having just celebrated Christmas and the Celebration of Christ's arrival amongst us a new beginning is here too today. The fact that we celebrated 2019 years on, tells us how very important it is to the whole Christian world. We sang the traditional carols with words of joy and anticipation of better times.

In Revelation we read of the delights of a promised new world "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away". Words of support so often heard at Funeral Services. What a future to look forward to. But, and there is always a but isn't there, when is this due to happen and why 2019 years later isn't it here now?

As biblical history shows us God always lives up to his promises. We always benefit from God's Grace but in God's own time not ours. As so often in humanity's relationship with God we are full of complaints, "When do we want it? We want it now!" the cry goes up. So if not God, it must be we who are failing in some way.

The answer may be simple, for we also read "No one comes to the Father except through Me" says Jesus. What then is expected of us, that we are not doing? Firstly we have to accept Jesus as The Messiah and our personal Saviour. All through the Gospels we read of Jesus's way of life, provided as a template for us to follow. "Whoa!" we say that is an impossible goal. True but there is hope.

If every hair of our head is counted we can take it that God knows us individually as we truly are. The Holy Spirit is with us to assist us and recognizes our limitations. As my school maths report often said "Tries hard", that is all that all that is asked of us, to succeed within our individual limitations. Do not despise those days of small beginnings, for God is pleased to see the work begin.

Thus here is a possible late additional New Year Resolution "To try harder to bring the Kingdom into reality" by our response to the call.

David Rowe, Reader

Church News

LENT COURSES

Revd Mark will be running a lent course over five weeks on Thursday mornings from 10am until noon; dates will be 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th March and 2nd April at the Vicarage. The theme is "From Now On – Hope and Redemption in the film 'The Greatest Showman'"

CAROLS AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE

Thank you to everyone who joined with the Boxted Methodist Silver Band to sing Carols around the Christmas Trees in Nayland, Leavenheath and Stoke.

The amount raised for the band and Action for Children were: Nayland £174.88, Leavenheath £104.31 and Stoke by Nayland £187.48

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE AT ST MARY'S, WISTON



We welcomed 54 worshippers to our Family Communion service on Christmas morning. Our annual regulars walked from Little Horkesley, leaving their very muddy boots in the porch thank goodness! It is always lovely to see them filling the gallery and to hear their excellent carol singing, descant included!

The service was led by Revd John Fowler and assisted by our Lay Reader, Derek Johns. Derek's theme for his sermon was for an audience participation to The Twelve Days of Christmas.

Thank you to everyone who helped in making all our Christmas services and celebrations a great success.

PILGRIMAGE TOUR TO THE HOLY LAND

If hearing the Christmas Story has left you wanting to walk in the footsteps of Jesus, to visit Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jerusalem and more it is not too late to join Revd Mark and others from the Benefice on our 10 day Pilgrimage Tour to the Holy Land which is running from **14th to 23rd June 2020**. The cost, on a full board basis, including flights will be £1,965pp (based on 2 sharing). Brochures and booking forms are available from Revd Mark and in all churches.

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FROM THE REGISTERS



DEATHS

Joan Atkinson

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.



CHURCH FLOWERS

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

Donations towards the Easter lilies for **St Mary's Wiston** would also be welcomed. These can be given to Fiona Storey.

Many thanks to those who gave donations towards the cost of Christmas flowers.

VILLAGE PLAYERS': *THE LION IN WINTER*



What could be more appropriate for early December 2019 than a play about political upheaval at Christmastime – particularly one with European overtones?

The Village Players certainly achieved that in their production of *The Lion In Winter* at Nayland Village Hall from December 5th to 7th.

But this was no Boris and Jeremy show, James Goldman's historical drama is set at Christmas in 1183 and concerns the Machiavellian machinations of King Henry 11's court over the future of the English throne – an intrigue which the Players presented with considerable aplomb in a fast-moving brusque style which perfectly fitted the animated action of the piece.

This was no turgid re-enactment of a torrid time in history but a bustling bravura presentation of the scheming and infighting of Henry's family members over the future of the throne of England – with the additional complication of members of the French royal family.

Set in Henry's castle in Chinon, France, it put Henry at odds with his queen, Eleanor of Aquitaine, and King Philip of France over the English succession at a time before the principle of the eldest son succeeding on the death of the king had been established.

With Henry favouring his younger son John and Eleanor the oldest Richard the battle lines were drawn.

Add their scheming middle son Geoffrey, the beguiling French Princess Alais, currently the king's paramour but set to marry one or other of his sons, and the young French King Philip plus an underlying mix of the desires and passions of all concerned and the scene was set for all kinds of plotting and intrigue as well as subtle and much more blatant subterfuge.

Without a doubt the Players' tight-knit cast of seven presented a quality performance all through, handling a very wordy and complicated plot with alacrity while director Jim Bond managed to keep a fast pace while maintaining an understandable discourse throughout.

John McCarroll as Henry was assured and bold in his portrayal, nicely poised between confidence and indecision, hoping to wear down the opposition to get his own way in the end.

Rebecca Pentney as the mischievous minx Princess Alais could be demure and cajoling or as fiery and as devious as any of the company.

In Gareth Moriarty we had a young Prince John as much of a

spoilt brat as could be imagined, wheedling and cajoling yet subservient when challenged.

Mark West, as Prince Richard, was the warrior prince par excellence, wanting to march through all opposition to the throne while Mark Russell played middle son Prince Geoffrey as the artful schemer using all the wiles of an underdog to fight his corner, planning liaisons with all yet pitting each and every one against each other.

Sam Pentney, as the young French King Philip, was a put-upon outsider who could not even command his wayward Princess Alais to do his bidding – she eventually persuaded him to leave the court and let her do their country's scheming.

All were assured and confident in their roles but for me the performance of the evening was that of Jackie Grant as Queen Eleanor who carried off the part with regal style and elegance. She was biting sarcasm and wheedlingly seductive, explosively frustrated and charmingly compassionate in turn – all to further her own scheming agenda.

Articulate and astute at every turn she played the part with panache, perfectly projecting every syllable, which was particularly commendable as I understand she lost her voice just a few days before the play's run causing her to miss some dress rehearsals. In which circumstances you had to admire her flawless performance – and the tightness of the presentation by the whole cast for whom losing such a pivotal character at such a crucial time in rehearsal could have been disastrous for a less capable company.

While the play evolved with verbal semantics and fascinating plotting and conniving between the characters it was in the final scene after the brothers were confined to a wine cellar that the knives were really out for the king – quite literally after the queen smuggled daggers into their dungeon – but we were treated to a real action climax as the king appeared and, broadsword in hand, quickly quelled the family rebellion.

However, with issues not really solved it was left to a somewhat reconciled Henry and Eleanor to decide that perhaps it was best for them never to die at all.

I had to admire once again the quality of the whole presentation by this talented team who produced a convincing set with some nifty changes between scenes, excellent costumes and a well ordered presentation throughout.

Chris Mills



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TRESSPASS & VANDALISM

Cars have been trespassing and racing on fields behind the Anchor and at the allotments, where the gate fixings have been forced and broken. The ground has been churned up in all areas. Judging by reports from dog-walkers this probably happened late on 6th January as the marks were not there during the afternoon. Similar events have happened at both playing fields in recent weeks. Perhaps residents could keep an eye out for this kind of activity and pass any information to Suffolk Constabulary.

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Fundraising and grant applications continues but in order to raise the funds required for the roof replacement there is a need for donations from the village residents.

Please consider giving to this important village project.

Cheques payable to Nayland with Wissington Parish Council should be sent to the Parish Clerk, Mrs D.Hattrell, 12 Hitchcock Place, Sudbury CO10 1NN.

We are very grateful for the donations received to date.



SUFFOLK SCHOOL BUS CAMPAIGN

www.suffolkschoolbus.org

In October campaigners against the new school transport policy warned that it would bring consequences for public bus services. This is not because there are now fewer pupils going to school from our villages. But because Suffolk County Council, in measuring walking routes (of several miles) to determine eligibility for school transport, took no account of existing public bus routes that served long established school catchments, originally drawn up to reflect community links between villages and towns across Suffolk. And as a consequence of reduced income from SCC for school bus places, Chambers have just announced that as of the end of March they intend to withdraw the 84 public bus entirely from Stoke by Nayland and offer only a reduced service, along the A134 only, in place of the 84. This will affect not only Stoke by Nayland residents, but also those Nayland residents who currently get the bus along Stoke Road, and Leavenheath residents along the High Road. It will also prevent Nayland pupils at TGS from attending extra-curricular clubs (like GCSE support, football and music activities) unless they have a non-working parent who can collect them.

We predicted this kind of consequence to the ill-thought-out, rigidly applied school transport policy. Using public bus routes to provide home-school transport is efficient, both financially and environmentally. So it seems pretty obvious to all except the County Council that reducing school income for such services will affect the viability of public routes. The 84 currently suffers from underuse, probably in part because it offers such a restricted service (a chicken and egg situation). But it is a lifeline to those that need it – the reason that rural bus services are supposed to attract subsidy of course. Yet the council appears to neither understand this, nor care.

Chambers have announced their proposed changes to the 84 whilst the council are conducting an internal review into the implementation of the school transport policy. The review is limited in scope, and is not due to report to the council's Scrutiny Committee in February, after the Chambers consultation ends. However, that doesn't stop councillors from making the immediate changes to the school transport policy that we have been calling for, and introducing some flexibility in how they apply the policy. Or from engaging fully with all relevant departments and the bus company to join up their approach and find solutions. Doing so could provide the lifeline that is needed to save our public bus service, as well as put an end to the divisive and punitive school transport arrangements for those families living east of the primary school.

Please help by writing to James Finch, your County Councillor, now.



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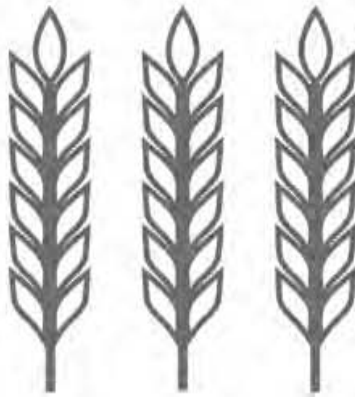
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KENNY'S SESAW NEWS



Eavesdropping can be very confusing. I thought the volunteers were celebrating having perfect eyesight when they were talking about seeing in 2020 last month. Mum explained this year marks the start of a new decade which inspires many resolutions like getting fit - as she eyed my bulging tummy!

If you want to shed those extra festive pounds don't forget the Nayland 10K takes place on 5th July.

SESAW is one of the beneficiaries of this family friendly day and dogs are welcome as shown in the photo taken by Brian Sanders. The pooch is proudly wearing one of the wood medals specially designed for last year's entrants. The website will be launched soon for anyone wishing to register at: <https://www.nayland10k.co.uk/>

We welcomed Elaine, the Community Champion from Asda in Colchester recently when she brought us a big cheque. The Store's Green Token Scheme raised £500 which will help pay for heating all the dog and cat kennels through the winter. The mother and daughter Staffies will be among the animals keeping nice and warm whilst they wait for a new home together.

I may not have 20/20 vision but there's nothing wrong with my sense of smell which tells me dinner is nearly ready. Time to see what's cooking in the kitchen for me, **Kenny (the Boss) Chihuahua.** Suffolk & Essex Small Animal Welfare (Reg Charity No.1124029) Stoke Road, Leavenheath, CO6 4PP - Usually open 10-1pm Thurs-Sun but please check before visiting

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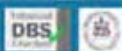
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 - **Refuse Collections:** <https://www.babergh.gov.uk/waste-services/collection-days/>
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 - **To check on roadworks:** <https://roadworks.org/>
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2 HOURS FOR VILLAGE SOCIETIES, 3 HOURS FOR OTHERS

Sunday – Friday Hourly Rates	Residents	Non Residents
9am – midnight	£12.00	£18.00
Meeting Room (minimum 3 hours)	£6.00	£21.00
Playing Field only (all day)	£60.00	£60.00
Changing Rooms (all day)	£25.00	£25.00

Saturday

Daytime until 6pm	Hourly Rates as above	
Evening 6pm-midnight	£140.00	£210.00
Playing Field, Changing Rooms & Meeting Room	Hourly Rates as above	

Reduced rates for regular users can be negotiated with the Treasurer, Peter Mann on 262830

Bookings: online at www.naylandandwiston.net or
Booking Sec 07748 953175 naylandvillagehall@yahoo.co.uk
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BUS TIMETABLES Service 84 (Sch = Schooldays only, NSch = Non-schooldays only) No service on Sunday or Public Holidays

Please Note: changes to services are expected to take effect from Monday 23rd March (see front page)

Sudbury – Newton Green – Assington – Leavenheath – Stoke by Nayland – Nayland – Gt Horkesley – General Hospital – Colchester													
Monday to Saturday				NSch	Sch	NSch	Sch	Sch		Saturdays			
Great Cornard School	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1630	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sudbury Bus Station	0655	0930	1145	1345	1345	1500	1500	1640	1730	0715	0930	1225	1640
Great Cornard School	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1728	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nayland Surgery	0744	1018	1233	1433	1433	1548	1602	.....	1818	0803	1018	1313	1728
Colchester Gen. Hosp.	0801	1033	1248	.....	1448	1603	1617	.....	1833	0818	1033	.....	1743
Colchester North Station	0806	1038	1253	.....	1453	1608	1622	.....	1838	0823	1038	.....	1748
Colchester Osbourne St	0815	1045	1300	.....	1500	1615	1629	.....	1845	0830	1045	.....	1755
Norman Way Schools	0825	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Monday to Saturday	Sch	NSch							Saturdays				
Norman Way Schools	.....	.....					1550	.....				
Colchester Osbourne St	.....	.....	0905	1105	1305			1605	1750	.....	0905	1305	1750
Colchester North Station	.....	.....	0913	1113	1313			1613	1758	.....	0913	1313	1758
Colchester Gen Hosp.	.....	.....	0919	1119	1319			1819	1804	.....	0919	1319	1604
Nayland Surgery	0744	0754	0934	1134	1334			1634	1819	0754	0934	1334	1819
Great Cornard School	0830	.....					.....
Sudbury Bus Station	0848	0840	1020	1220	1420			1720	1902	0840	1020	1420	1902

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Home School Association
Nayland Playgroup
Woodland Corner
Primary School Choir
Baby & Toddler Group
Village Hall
Church Hall
Church Hall
Royal British Legion
Womens Institute
Over 60s Club
Bowls Club
Village Cinema
Table Tennis Club
Nayland Art Club
Horticultural Society
Conservation Society
Village Players
Nayland Choir
First Response
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Friends of Wiston Church
Friends of Caley Green
Chambers Buses
Roman Catholic Church
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Police Safer Neighbourhood Team
Babergh District Council
District Councillor
Suffolk County Councillor
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Surgery hours: Mon-Fri 8am-6pm (*telephone service until 6.30*)
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