

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES

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CLOCKS SPRING FORWARD

Don't forget to put your clocks forward when you go to bed on 25th March! An extra hour of daylight in the evenings will be very much appreciated.

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APRIL 2023

WHAT'S ON

Cinema 'Fishermen's Friends 2' & 'Eric Ravilious: Drawn To War'

> Hortsoc: AGM & Fun Quiz Community Litterpick Nayland Church Fete

Easter Egg Hunts Hortsoc: Morning Market

May Footpath Walk

Rogation Tractor Ride

RBLTalk: *HMS Conquerer* Village Lunch: 'Alfred Munnings'

Outing: Bressingham Steam & Gardens

Nayland Open Gardens

Talk: Memories Of Nayland

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Road works in Nayland Bank Holiday Refuse Collections

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COMMUNITY CORONATION CELEBRATION

Come and gather to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III with friends and neighbours at the Village Hall on Sunday 7th May.

The village hall will be open from 11am, for you to settle inside or outside depending on the weather and whichever you prefer.

Bring your own picnic, refreshments & flags
Bring your own fun and games
There will be some children's activities
Listen out for the Coronation Peal of the church bells
Why not decorate your house frontage
to add to the atmosphere in the village

Look out for updates on posters around the village, on social media or check naylandandwiston.net

If you would like to offer some entertainment, or provide fun or activities for children or willing to help with anything please let Kathy Hunt know on 262014.



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NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Notes by observer of the meeting: 8th February 2023

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

PARISH COUNCIL

Robin Thorogood chaired the meeting. Samantha Treharne and Owen Brown were co-opted onto the Council.

PUBLIC FORUM

William Barton, the agent for Tendring Hall Estate attended to clarify points regarding a planning application to build a bungalow on land adjacent Fairfield recreation ground, in front of the Old Scout Hut. Councillors asked questions, including why they had not taken the Heritage Officers suggestion to use materials that blend with the neighbouring flint wall; he said they decided to go with a contemporary design. Councillors expressed a number of concerns, including about the stream, the future of the scout hut, use of the turning circle, access for others with right of way along the drive.

Stuart Davis, the architect for the planning application for the redundant builders yard at Nag's Corner out-lined his disappointment at the changes made to the adjoining application by the developers which were approved by the Planning Authority. He explained the design features in relation to the current application. Councillors expressed a number of concerns, including that the Housing Survey Identified a need for smaller properties not 3-4 bedrooms and with studies which may increase the bedroom count. Closeness to the A134 and the effect on the streetscape were of concern.

DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

Melanie Barrett said a 2.99 % increase in council tax by Babergh. Residents' rates are shared by Councils as follows: For every £1 collected 9p goes to Babergh DC, 4p goes to Parish Council, 13p to Police and 74p to Suffolk County Council.

COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT

James Finch had sent around data from the recent speed monitoring and was suggesting no further action in view of the results.

PLANNING

Councillors heard that Babergh have granted permission at Roziers Wissington Uplands [DC/22/05633] for erection of three bay cart lodge; for listed building consent at 72 - 74 Bear Street [DC/22/06331] for erection of single storey rear extension, link between house and garage and partial conversion of garage to accommodation and works to trees at Longwood House 31 Stoke Road [DC/23/00255] for felling of 3 sycamore trees and at 16 Bear Street [DC/23/00283] for felling 1 Poplar and 1 Sycamore.

Between meetings to meet the deadline councillors had no objections to works to trees at **The White House 16 Church Lane** [DC/23/00151] to crown reduce crown 1 llex, crown lift 1 Arbutus and to re-pollard 1 Eucalyptus; at **Longwood House 31 Stoke Road** [DC/23/00255] to fell 3 Sycamore trees and at **16 Bear Street** [DC/23/00283] to fell 1 Poplar and 1 Sycamore. **Land Adjacent to Nayland Primary School**

Councillors discussed the application for a single storey detached dwelling with carport and garage [DC/22/05339] on the site in front of the Old Scout Hut. It was agreed to object to this proposal on numerous grounds including maintenance, use of and congestion of the driveway, turning circle and access to the burial ground and PROW; this includes the very young and the elderly. The change of use from agricultural to residential. Flora and fauna will be disrupted. The scale, design and materials of the proposed 3-bedroom dwelling on the site which would be out of keeping with its surroundings.

Laura Erith and Dawn Harris have been compiling a document detailing problems and lack of communication from Babergh DC regarding planning applications, amendments and enforcement. This will be submitted in tandem with a similar document by the Conservation Society.

HIGHWAYS

Councillors had only just received the data results of the recent speed survey and required more time to consider them. It was necessary for the survey to meet certain criteria to qualify for further consideration of a 20 mph zone or limit being installed. Concern was expressed about the ditch repairs on Wiston Road and that safety barriers had been removed. It was agreed to request a site meeting with SCC.

A LASTING ROYAL MEMORIAL

Councillors approved the principle of the proposed coronation / memorial tree and bench on Caley Green and it was agreed to seek permission from the SCC, as landowners, before proceeding to the quotation and funding stage.

CALEY GREEN

The PC have asked the SCC Properties Officer for a response on various outstanding matters relating to Caley Green, including protection of the riverbank. Councillors granted permission for the Fire Service to display a promotional banner on Caley Green for one week subject to the usual criteria.

FAIRFIELD RECREATION GROUND

Gerry Battye said the Fairfield Playground sub-committee were finalising details of the proposed improvements; they will be available to be considered at the March meeting.

VILLAGE HALL ROOF PROJECT

Fundraising events are being planned, including a Beatles Night in March. Babergh DC have advised that their application for a CIL grant will not go to committee for consideration until all the remaining funding for the new roof is in place.

ALLOTMENTS

The tree planting on the allotment field for Queen Elizabeth's Jubilee has been carried out; Mary George will make enquiries about a plaque. It was agreed to divide plot 12 into 2 half plots.

BURIAL GROUND

The damaged boundary wall to the old Burial Ground has been reported to Babergh DC. Quotations will be sought for tree work.



I would like to pass on my thanks to the lady who so kindly handed in my wallet to Nayland Surgery.

In lieu of the chance to offer any reward I have made an additional donation to the earthquake appeal.

Foster Jones

A LARGE THANK YOU FROM THE FINCHES

Jeannette and James would like to thank everyone for the large number of good wishes, cards and flowers which they have received following Jeannette's recent illness. They have really helped her make good progress towards a full recovery. They are also most grateful for the care given by all the doctors and nurses at the Colchester Hospital which has been exemplary.

Jeannette looks forward to being out and about in Nayland before too long. Visitors are very welcome with a phone call first please.

ST JAMES' APCM

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting takes place on Monday 24th April at 6.30pm in St James' Church.

All are welcome to attend.

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PUBLIC FORUM

Updating councillors on the village hall roof project lain Wright said they continue to apply for funding; the National Lottery grant application has reached the second stage. The recent Beatles Night fundraising made £2,210.

A Little Horkesley resident expressed concerned regarding a planning application Rushbanks Campsite; his objections related to the scale and formalisation of the previous use which was unlicensed, disturbance of his cattle, litter, noise and loss of tranquillity.

A resident asked councillors whether once elections were over they would consider forming a sub-committee for planning; a team that could research details of applications, ensure issues and problems are found. Mary George said historically they had a planning sub-committee but some councillors felt excluded. It was pointed out that some aspects relating to Paddock Grove had been missed so a dedicated sub-committee may prevent that happening.

Mike Hunter said that although Babergh Planning Officers swiftly acknowledged receipt of correspondence from the Conservation Society (submitted in tandem with a PC document) regarding concerns they have with planning procedure there has been no further communication. If no response has been received by 23rd March the Officers will be contacted again. The aim is to have a meeting with them to discuss the issues and how they may be resolved. It is not felt going through the complaints procedure will achieve this, but if they do not communicate it may be necessary.

DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

Melanie Barrett said she will be standing down at the elections; the April PC meeting will be her last in Nayland.

PLANNING

Councillors heard that an appeal has been granted relating to a planning application at **Rushbanks House Bures Road** [DC/22/00804] for erection of single storey side extension and two storey rear extension (following removal of conservatory) which was refused in March 2022. The Parish Council did not object to the original application. The Appeal decision stated the site was prominent but only from a limited number of locations; the existing building is finished in a range of materials but have been colour treated in the same shade. The extensions would add to a visually complex elevation, with a variety of roof forms, projections and materials; due to their limited size they would not appear as a dominant or unduly prominent feature. Views would be limited therefore the appeal proposal would have an acceptable effect on the character and appearance of the host property and surrounding area.

Councillors heard that Babergh have granted permission for works to trees at **The White House 16 Church Lane** [DC/23/00151] to crown reduce 1 llex, crown lift 1 Arbutus, re-pollard 1 Eucalyptus.

Between meetings to meet the deadline councillors had no objections to works to trees at **22 Heycroft Way** [DC/23/00615] to fell 1 Spruce tree at **17 Stoke Road** [DC/23/00568] for erection of two storey side extension, creating second access point and widening existing access including removal of part of boundary wall. They note Highways comments are awaited in relation to the design of the splay and support the idea of off road parking at this point.

Discussing an application at **Rushbanks Farm Caravan Site Bures Road** [DC/23/00221] for continued use of land as touring caravan and campsite councillors agreed to submit an objection on the grounds of scale of increased use of the site, impact on the environment and wildlife in the Dedham Vale AONB, on the amenity of local residents and increased traffic on a narrow single track rural road. The PC accepts that visitors contribute to the local rural economy, but regard the increased scale of recent use and the number of tents in this application to be detrimental. Increased unlicensed use of the site that has led

to complaints about antisocial behaviour of visitors on the site and on local footpaths; congestion on the river; disturbance of cattle; litter and noise pollution. Councillors suggest that if consent is granted for continued use on this scale, very strict conditions of use to be applied, regular monitoring of use of the site and enforcement where there are breaches of conditions.

The document detailing problems and lack of communication from Babergh DC regarding planning applications, was submitted in tandem with a similar document by the Conservation Society (CS). As the CS have stated Babergh will be reminded if there has been no response by 23rd March.

HIGHWAYS

As James Finch is not present to update the meeting regarding the data results of the recent speed survey and the criteria to qualify for further consideration of a 20 mph zone or limit being installed discussion will be deferred. Likewise discussion regarding the ditch repairs on Wiston Road was deferred.

Mary George raised the issue of the Council not being informed about a number of scheduled roadworks. Last month there were instances on the Heights and Harpers Estate of trenches being dug across residents' driveways preventing them access to and from their houses. A resident pointed out that the workmen in Bear Street were helpful and had equipment to enable vehicles in and out of driveways over the trench. Ned Cartwright and Dawn Harris will follow up on this issue.

A LASTING ROYAL MEMORIAL

Dawn Harris reported that there had been no response from the SCC, as landowners of Caley Green, regarding permission for a the proposed memorial/ coronation tree and bench on the Green. She had spoken to the Chair of the Community Council regarding possible contribution towards the cost. The proposal will be mentioned at a scheduled site meeting with the PC's grounds contractors.

CALEY GREEN

Mary George said there is no progress as there has been no response from the SCC Properties Officer, despite several reminders from the Clerk. Robin Thorogood pointed out this issue has been going on for two years and still hasn't happened. Dawn Harris and Sally Dalton will liaise regarding chasing SCC again.

DOG BINS

A resident has written with concerns regarding the siting of a new dog bin in Fen Street; there is no issue visually but its use and smell will be monitored. There is careful consideration when deciding the positions of all bins; to ensure they are not in full view of windows or close to dwellings.

The Stour Valley Marathon will, on Saturday 17th June, once again start and finish at Nayland village hall. Councillors are happy for them to use Pop's Piece as a marshall point.

Fairfield Recreation Ground

Councillors agreed that the proposed new basket swing, trampoline and swing gate, maintenance work and facelift will be a good investment and freshen up the whole playpark. The cost of the new equipment will be £14,400 with approximately half of that a legacy of the late Margaret Underwood.

Village Hall

Dawn Harris reminded councillors of the VH garden spring tidy on 1st April.

Allotments

Letters will be sent to all allotment tenants reminding them of their obligation to keep the allotments maintained. Another allotment holders meeting will be held on 20th March, where they can raise any issues they have. It was agreed that the newer entrance gate to the allotment field has rendered the older gate redundant.

ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

The Parish Assembly will be held on Wednesday 22nd March at 7.45pm in the Village Hall.

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84A Bus Service

Service 84A has been extended; from 16th April the current Thursday only service will run Monday-Friday. The Sudbury bound service will start from Colchester.

See page 46 for timetable

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMANSHIP & WORKING PARTIES

Chair: Robin Thorogood (until June)

newtons.farm@gmail.com **Laura Erith** (*July-December*) lauraerith@icloud.com

Vice Chair: Dawn Harris

WORKING PARTIES: subject to review after Elections

Allotments: Mary George, Patricia Wilkie, Dawn Harris
Bins: Mary George, Laura Erith, Patricia Wilkie
Burial Ground: Mary George. Dawn Harris, Gerry Battye
Caley Green: Mary George, Dawn Harris, Ned Cartwright,

Patricia Wilkie, Sally Dalton

Fairfield: Gerry Battye, Robin Thorogood, Dawn Harris Trees: Terry Bannister, Mary George (N), Laura Erith (W)

Highways: All councillors with individual areas

COFFEE, CAKE & CONVERSATION

Wednesday Coffee Mornings

10am to noon St James' Church

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

ROADWORKS IN NAYLAND

There has been some disruption reported about local works to roads. It looks as though this is set to continue. According to the very useful website one.network the following works are scheduled:

- 27 31 March Fen Street <u>road closure but access</u> to be maintained by County Broadband for utility asset works. Applicant: First call – 01707 244593
- 3 14 April Mill Street <u>road closure</u> by County Broadband for utility asset works
- 4 April Stoke Road <u>access only</u> (road closure for Church Street, Stoke) by UK Power Networks for utility repair and maintenance works
- 5 -17 June A134 Harpers Hill road closure from 8pm-6am by Suffolk CC for carriageway round-up patching, surface dressing, lines and stud replacement



Permission for work in **Birch Street** by County Broadband for utility asset works is being applied for. It's likely this will involve multi-way traffic lights between the hours of 10am-3pm; it is a small job and will be of fairly short duration.

County Broadband have advised that after these works the majority of roadwork disruption will be completed.

The next phase will be to complete wiring on the telegraph poles. Photo shows wiring yet to be installed.

Check yourself for any changes/additional works at: one.network

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

ELECTIONS: 4TH MAY 2023

District and Parish Council elections will take place in May. Councillors will be elected, or re-elected, for a four year term of office until 2027. The parish will continue to be served by nine elected Parish Councillors and our Polling Station will be at Nayland Village Hall as usual. Candidates must be over 18 and live within 3 miles of the parish boundary or work within the parish.

Full details of the nomination process will be available on the Babergh Mid-Suffolk website. If more than nine candidates stand for election, the ballot papers will be counted on 5th May. If the election is uncontested then all nominated candidates will be deemed to be elected unopposed. Results will then be published. The New Parish Council will hold the first meeting on Wednesday 10th May.

You can find general information on the role of parish councillors by speaking to a serving Parish Councillor or the Parish Clerk or by looking on-line. Monthly agenda and minutes for council meetings from 2005 onwards are available on the Parish Council page of the community website. https://www.naylandandwiston.net/parish_council/info.php

Cllr. Robin Thorogood: Chairman email: newtons.farm@gmail.com

Debbie Hattrell: Parish Clerk pc@naylandwithwissington.suffolk.gov.uk









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COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT

Annual General Meeting: 1st March 2023 Chair: Rachel Hitchcock 263169 www.naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk

CHAIR'S REPORT: .

It was fantastic to resume 'normal service' in 2022 after the disruptions of the previous two years. We were able to run a full programme of events and this report is an opportunity to highlight our achievements.

Thank You: Thanks as always to all members of the Community Council for their many contributions throughout the year – we couldn't operate without the support and participation of members from many different village societies – and to the Officers and Executive Committee, many of whom have been a part of the CC for many years: Ken Willingale, Bryan Smith, Julie Clark, Lorraine Brooks, Matt Cable, Claire Buller, Iain Wright, Vicki Sargent, Luke Rumbelow, Jo Metson, Maggie Ryan, Kate Bevan, Sophie Williams and Tricia Hall. Special thanks to Lorraine for her continued perseverance in ensuring the smooth running of the CC machine! We were sorry to lose Sophie and Kate from the committee this year – both have been active and supportive participants in CC activities and we will miss their enthusiasm.

I must also take this opportunity to acknowledge Tricia Hall, who sadly passed away in January. Tricia has been a hugely valued member of the CC for as long as I can remember. She was such a lovely person and gave so much to the CC, not least her tried and tested mulled wine recipe which we continue to use on Bonfire Night. Tricia will be hugely missed by so many in the village and will be remembered not just for her involvement in the CC but also for her years at the heart of Nayland Playgroup and Woodland Corner. Our love and condolences go to David, Katharine and Richard and their families.

What does the Community Council do?

- Represents and brings together a membership of over 20 village societies in one organisation;
- Fundraises in order to support village activities and organisations
- Funds and co-ordinates projects of benefit to the community
- Organises key events in the village calendar
- Communicates village activities and news through the Community Times.

CC events and activities: Thank you to everybody who helps with all the CC events, especially the committee who organise them and all the village organisations who ensure that Nayland and Wiston have such a full diary.

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations:

Huge thanks to EVERYBODY who contributed to and helped with this fantastic celebration marking 70 years of the Queen's reign. Special mention, however, to Claire Buller who co-ordinated the wonderful Street Party which had a fabulous atmosphere and reflected the spirit of our community – bell ringing, singing, fancy dress – and nearly 500 people in attendance. An event to be proud of, especially given the challenges presented by the very British weather

Bonfire Night: 1400 people attended our community firework display which took place, as usual, on 5th November. We used professional display company Firework Crazy, who did a fantastic job. A big thank you to our many helpers for this event, in particular Fred Bugg for the bonfire, the Year 2 class at Nayland Primary School for the very impressive guy, lain Wright for the multitude of 'kit' and everybody who helped on the gate, stalls and refreshments - Bonfire Night is a real team effort! Thanks to naylandevents.org and village shops, Forget-Me-Not and Mill Street Store and Deli and the Post Office for their help with ticket sales. Bonfire Night has become a firm event in the Nayland Calendar and is the CC's biggest fundraiser.

Christmas Fayre: Huge thanks to the village societies including Woodland Corner, the Women's Institute, the HortSoc and the Conservation Society for providing the Christmas stalls and also to the Year 5 children and staff of Nayland Primary School whose singing and ukulele playing provided some lovely festive

entertainment and encouraged an impromptu sing-a-long. Thank you too to Father Christmas for paying us a visit again. This event provides a lovely, traditional start to our Christmas activities.

Father Christmas, Christmas Eve Village Tour: We were delighted to welcome back Father Christmas for his Christmas Eve tour of the village kindly chauffeured by Foster Jones in his wonderful vintage Humber. Huge thanks to Father Christmas and his willing helpers for this very special visit on what is a very busy day in his calendar!

Christmas Trail: We were delighted to bring back the Christmas Trail of trees, wreaths and advent windows for its third year. Once again it brought sparkle, colour and Christmas cheer to the village throughout December and we are incredibly grateful to everyone who participated and helped make this such a success.

Village Christmas Tree: Once again, thanks to Fred Smith for supplying an excellent tree which provides a lovely, festive centrepiece for the village throughout December. Thank you too to Nayland Dental Surgery for supplying the electricity and to Claire Buller and the team who put it up.

Village Quiz: With the emphasis on fun, and an air of good-humoured competition, the quiz has become a regular fixture in the Nayland calendar – we have already held our 2023 quiz which built on last year's successful return with a sell-out event!

Public Access Defibrillator: The CC continues to monitor and maintain the public-access defibrillator at the Village Hall through the Community Heartbeat Trust and their Webnos service. A community first aid training session was held on 29th June 2022 in conjunction with the local First Responders and Gryphon First Aid Unit. This was well received and we will do more of these in the future.

Nayland 10k and Fun Run: We were again pleased to support this event – organised by Luke Rumbelow and Event Nation – a big thank you to all of the volunteer marshalls who add to the friendly atmosphere and community feel. A proportion of the profits from the event - which included a 10k, 5k and 1k run - is donated to local charities including the CC. We were extremely grateful to receive a donation of over £800 in 2022 which helps us in our efforts to support a wide range of community activities.

GRANTS: One of the roles of the Community Council is to provide grants to village organisations and individuals whose activities support our constitution. The following grants were issued in 2022: Nayland Choir (£128) for hall hire to allow continued rehearsals during Covid restrictions; Village Hall Maintenance (£10,000) for replacement of the glass entrance door and three wooden external doors; Village Hall Coffee Machine (£280) to allow regular users access to good quality, readily available coffee.

Community groups are reminded that funds are available to support village activities. Further details and our grant application form are available on the CC website at:

www.naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk

GOING FORWARD: The Exec are looking forward to another busy and successful year and it is a credit to the people involved in the CC that we all are keen to continue. That isn't to say that we wouldn't welcome some new members on the Executive Committee to bring a fresh perspective and new ideas and as you will have noticed I haven't yet relinquished my role as Chair, but remain open to offers! So do consider joining us – we guarantee a warm welcome as well as the chance to make a real contribution to your local community.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Matt Cable presented the year end accounts and they were adopted. (see page 10)

Reporting on this year's finances to 28th February:

Breakdown of profits: Community Times -£37.50, Quiz £624.44. **Grants**: Nayland Bear £100. **Current Position**: The accounts show reserves of £26,586.06 represented by Deposit a/c monies

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Treasurer's Report for the year ending 31st December 2022

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<u>Statemer</u>	nt of Income 8	Over the course of 2022, the Community Council's							
Income		Expense 1,914.26 846.64 5,585.44 408.99 41.54 164.53 2,479.63	Surplus 1,356.74 955.36 3,520.01 (408.99) 392.46 272.47 (2,234.63) 800.00 (10,137.64) (298.00) (1,399.85)	principle sources of income were Bonfire Night (net income of £3.5k), the Community Times (£1.4k) and the Village Calendar (£1.0k). The Village Quiz and Christmas Fayre also made helpful contributions and the Council was grateful to receive a generous donation from the Nayland 10K run. Grants were made to support repairs to the Village Hall (£10k), the provision of a coffee machine at the Village Hall (£280) and to help Nayland Choir with hiring rehersal space (£128). The Council received £270 as the return of a previous grant made to the Post Office appeal, which has now been wound up. The Community Council spent a net £2.2k on the					
TOTAL	£ 16,469.51	(£ 23,651.58)	(£ 7,182.07)	Jubillee street party and £409 on activities around					
Stateme	nt of Financia	I Position		Christmas. £298 was spent to maintain and provide training on the village defibrillators and £1.2k on					
Cash (note 3) Accrued Income (note 4) Accrued Expenses (note 5) TOTAL	Open 33,049.19 (10,201.00) £ 22,848.19	Close 26,282.80 214.50 (10,831.18) £ 15,666.12	Change (6,766.39) 214.50 (630.18 (£ 7,182.07)	purchasing the annual insurance that covers events run by the Council. There was a significant increase in insurance cost for the year, although part of this was additional cover also incurred last year for larger numbers at Bonfire Night. At the end of the year the Community Council					
of which RBL Services Fund	(268.50)	(268.50)	(27,102.01)	held £26.3k in cash, mainly in its current and deposit					
(Deficit)/Surplus for Year	£ 22,579.69	£ 15,397.62	(£ 7,182.07)	accounts. After net accruals of £10.9k this left unencumbered assets of £15.4k as shown in the					
Notes: 1. Grants made during the year: Nayland Choir Village Hall replacement doors Village Hall coffee machine Save Our PO Campaign: returned following closure of campaign		128.00 10,000.00 280.00 (270.36)	accompanying financial statements and footnotes 5. Accrued expenses Grants made but not yet paid: inc. Village Hall roof, coffee machine and Lizzie's fund General expenses: claims received post year-end - all settled by 31/1/23 398						
TOTAL	£10,137.64	TOTAL	£10,831.18						
2. Central costs incurred during the year: Annual insurance Web Hosting Other: Hall hire for meetings and general supplies		1,182.38 94.00 228.17	6. Accounting policies These accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis. The change in accounting basis has been adopted to better reflect the unpaid grant obligations of the charity which span the Charity's financial year						
TOTAL	£1,504.55	end. In the case of income, there have been no year-end accru							
3. Cash balances at year en Cash on hand Current account Deposit account Paypal	1,468.93 13,926.97 10,834.06 52.84	made for charitable activities in this financial year. In the case of expenditure, grants and other items for which we have incurred an obligation have been recognised. The unencumbered asset balances for 2021 and 2022 are directly comparable. TREASURER Matt Cable CFA							
TOTAL	£26,282.80	CHAIRMAN	Rachel Hítchcock						
4. Accrued income		I have examined the books of The Nayland with Wissington Community Council (without carrying out an audit), and in my opinion the accounts for 2022 represent a true and fair record of the Society's							
Community times advertising Village Calendar: Sponsorship		£97.50 117.00	Community Co the accounts for	uncil (without carrying out an audit), and in my opinion,					

Community Council report continued.....

£10,834.06, Current a/c monies £14,869.72, Stripe £248.35, Cash in Hand £633.93. We hold £268.50 for the RBL Services Fund and grants are pending for: VH roof £10,000, Lizzie's Fund £153 and VH coffee machine £280. Therefore, unencumbered assets are £15,884.56.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: The following officers and committee were elected en bloc: President Ken Willingale, Vice President Bryan Smith, Chairman Rachel Hitchcock, Treasurer Matt Cable, Vice Chairman Claire Buller, Secretary Lorraine Brooks, Executive Committee Julie Clark, Jo Metson, Vicki Sargent, Maggie Ryan, Luke Rumbelow, Iain Wright. Parish Council representation continues to be shared between Laura Erith and Ned Cartwright. Julie Clark wishes to stand down as Vice Chair

but Claire Buller is willing to take on that role. Heike Ellwood and Jane Mathew were welcomed to the meeting; they have come along to see what we do with a view to joining the Exec.

GRANTS & DONATIONS:

Village Hall £883.50 for photo framing: The VH acquired an enlarged photo of the 1945 Street Party in Nayland to display in the hall. Twelve further photos of events spanning the last century were selected to be enlarged and framed. The cost of printing was £400, the cost of framing them was £1,767. A grant amounting to half the cost of the framing was approved.

CURRENT MATTERS ARISING:

Recent Events: The Fun Village Quiz on 3rd February had been a great success. It made over £600 for CC funds. Rachel Hitchcock thanked everyone for their help and support.

Community Council report continued.....

Community Defibrillator: Defibrillators are located at the Village Hall and at the Fire Station. The defibrillator at the Village Hall which is managed by the CC is regularly checked; Jo Metson and Dawn Harris are now signed up for the rota so can share this task with Rachel Hitchcock and upload data to defibcheck.org.

River Stour Water Level Gauge: Rachel Hitchcock said she has emailed Dale Leeks advising we would like to progress this project. She has asked for the current cost to be confirmed. The cost totalling £1,380 inc. VAT was agreed in May 2021.

Nayland 10k Fun Run: Sunday 10th July. Luke Rumbelow said this will be a duplicate of last year, starting from Littlegarth School. Tickets are now on sale via <u>nayland10k.co.uk</u> It's hoped 30-40 volunteers from the Nayland community will come forward to help with marshalling; please contact Luke 07598 821663 <u>rumbelow 2000@yahoo.co.uk</u> or Rachel 07788 954309 <u>rachel hitchcock@hotmail.com</u> if you can help. The riverside path will be strimmed ahead of the run.

Village Hall Gardening Morning: The next Gardening session will be on Saturday 1st April from 9am - please support this if you can; it is a pleasant social activity and refreshments are provided.

King Charles III's Coronation: An appeal is being made for coordinators to enable a community event to be held as part of the nationwide 'Big Lunch' on Sunday 7th May. This may take the form of a bring-your-own picnic. Screening the Coronation Concert at Windsor Castle could be an option. The facilities are there, the Village Hall has been booked, some funding would be available. Kathy Hunt has put herself forward, Baby & Toddler Group would help on day. More people are needed — please contact Lorraine Brooks on lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com or 262807 or Kathy Hunt on 262014 as soon as possible if you could help.

Community Times & Websites: For over 33 years, and 201 issues the CT has been keeping residents informed of what is going on in the parish. New technologies have enabled some changes and content differs slightly but it's hoped it continues to fulfil its role and be useful. New ideas and content are welcome. There is quite a team behind producing the magazine, without whom village news would not reach your doormats. We are very grateful to: all those who take the time to contribute articles, copy and reports on their societies, village happenings, letters and photographs; and to members of the local Facebook group who raise awareness of issues and permit use of their photographs for inclusion; the dedicated team of distributors led by Trevor Smy; Pat Bray for her contributions of village news and proof reading; our long standing editor Lorraine Brooks who tirelessly puts together every issue; the advertisers who cover printing costs and provide much valued income for the CC. Many thanks to all.

Thanks also to Justin Dowding for managing the website www.naylandandwiston.net and for establishing the online ticket sales facility at www.naylandevents.org which has also proved to be very beneficial to village organisations.

Village Calendar: The Nayland with Wissington Calendar, has proved very popular with residents, since it was first published 14 years ago. We are enormously grateful to the small team for their commitment and hard work in producing the calendar.

The calendar team are very grateful to: local businesses that sponsor the calendar, all those who enter their photographs and those who help with sales at local shops or village activities. And of course, last by not least, those who buy the calendars. We are delighted that Wendy Sparrow and Lorraine Brooks have agreed to continue with this project for another year, with support with sales from the CC Exec. Plans are now in hand for the next photographic competition to generate images for the calendar. It has proved successful to conduct the competition online and we will do so again this year and, as previously, we will ask residents to select their favourite images for inclusion in the calendar. There will not be a display in the church hall.

Further details will be available in the Community Times and at www.naylandandwiston.net. Deadline for entries will be 22nd April and voting will take place over the following weekend.

SOCIETY REPORTS

Art Group: Kathryn Niven said they are continuing to enjoy painting and drawing; the recent tutor-led sessions have

included a snow scene and a still life. They also work on their own projects. They are hoping to organise some future outings.

HotSoc: Trevor Smy said on 14th March Roger Hance will be

HortSoc: Trevor Smy said on 14th March Roger Hance will be giving a talk on the subject of 'Photography: Landscapes and Seascapes of British Isles'; Saturday 25th March is the date of the Spring Show with refreshments and a cake stall; on 18th April they have the AGM and Fun Quiz; and on 13th May the Morning Market selling plants, home-made cakes, preserves, a raffle and refreshments. Their next coach outing on 21st June will be to Bressingham Gardens in Norfolk.

Nayland Choir: Justin Dowding said they are rehearsing Faure's Requiem, along with other pieces, for a concert on 26th March at 4pm in St James' Church.

First Responders: Tracy Le Grys said they now have four fully trained members in the Group and are expecting a fifth one to be fully trained by May. This is great news.

Village Players: Nick Moriarty said their next production is Alan Ayckbourn's 'Snake in the Grass'; performances will be on 23rd March at 6:30pm and 24th & 25th March at 8pm.

Friends of Caley Green: Sally Dalton said they have been busy this past year with progressing the project to protect the Bay area from further erosion; this is now waiting for SCC to agree and take forward. They continue to lobby SCC for some maintenance to be carried out to the long reed bed.

St James' Church: Chris Hunt said they have been able to hold services every Sunday and this includes a family service once a month. Improvements at the rear of the nave are complete and the removal of some pews have given us a better circulation area and enhanced the servery facility. Coffee mornings are held on Wednesday mornings and these are well attended with a glorious selection of homemade cakes on offer. There are the concerts, organised by the Friends of St James. The Annual Fete is on 1st May. The church also provides the local Community Pantry which is well used. Bellringing training is going very well.

Parish Council: Laura Erith reported that the Annual Parish Assembly will be on Wednesday 22nd March; projects at Caley Green are moving slowly; they are hoping to plant a tree and install a bench to commemorate the last Queen celebrate the New King; there has been a speeding trial to see if the village qualifies to have a 20mph zone/limit; they have written to Babergh DC regarding how they look at applications. Samantha Treharne and Owen Brown have joined the PC.

Nayland Land Company: David Slater said path improvement works are being carried out on some parts of the riverside path that become muddiest in wet weather. The sheep may be a little later than usual arriving due to the footpath work. Information Boards adjacent to a) The Pond and b) Richard's Wood are to be installed this Spring.

Conservation Society: Mike Hunter said the AGM will be on 6th March when Mark Wilkinson will be talking on 'Postage Stamp Design'. In June Sir Bob Russell will make a presentation based on his 'Childhood memories in Nayland'. In October talk Nick Amor will speak about 'Keeping the Peace in Medieval Suffolk' and in November Dr Sian Dawson will talk on 'Petals & Paint Sir Cedric Morris Florilegium'. Open Gardens will take place on Sunday 4th June; they hope gardeners on the Heights may consider opening their gardens. The May Footpath walk is on Sunday 14th May and the spring community litter pick will take place on Saturday 23rd April. They are still seeking the possible introduction of a 20 mph speed zone or limit.

AOB: Nayland Post Office. The postmistress, Patsie Ford, has very recently received notification that the sorting office will be withdrawn in August. A member of PO staff will be resigning to further her career. Patsie has therefore made the decision to retire; she is making arrangements to provide a PO service until 26th August but this is likely to be only 3 mornings a week. It is not known if PO Counters may provide any – possibly pop-up or mobile – service anywhere in Nayland after August. The CC and PC will consider what they can do to appeal for an adequate postal service and PO Counters service in the future.

NEXT MEETING: will be on **Wednesday 3rd May** in the Church Hall at 8pm with Exec at 7.30pm.

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NAYLAND PLAYING FIELD FREE CAR PARKING

MONDAY 1st MAY

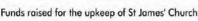
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Nayland Village Fete

STALLS

Donations for the stalls would be really welcome please. The stalls are hugely popular. We are still accepting resalable donations for the following stalls:

> **Plants** Toys China & Glass Kitchen items Vintage items **Pictures Gifts**

Bric a Brac **Jewellery & Handbags Good Quality Ladies Clothes Garden Tools/DIY Bottles for the Tombola**

(sauce to bubble bath, to wine and beer)

China for the china smash

Homemade biscuits and cakes would be much appreciated to serve with the teas, these can be left in the Village Hall on the day.

No books this year Unfortunately, we cannot take general clothing, luggage, electrical items or large furniture.

Items can be left in the changing rooms at Nayland Village Hall. Access via side door to the right of the hall. Open Mon-Sat 10am-4pm.

Vintage items to Forget Me Not please.

Helpers are always very welcome.

Please contact the following:

Stalls: Annie Elston 07818 601264 Gillian Stanton 07771 858717 Field set up:

Thank you very much for your support.

Your donations and support are invaluable. The fete raises funds for the Church fabric fund which is used exclusively to the upkeep of this wonderful historic building.

A huge thank you to everyone involved in organising and running the fete, the donations and of course those that come along on the day.

Many hands make light work as they say, so we are always grateful for helpers on the day, whether for an hour or two or for the duration. It really is good fun.

We look forward to you joining us on the new date for the fete this year, Monday 1st May 2023.

NAYLAND 10K 5K 1K FUN RUN

SUNDAY 9 JULY 2023 FROM 9.30AM TICKETS T NAYLAND 10K.CO.UK

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are also on the hunt to recruit volunteers, for marshalling, helping with sign on, water stations and more. If you know anyone who can give a couple of hours of their time and contribute to our fundraising event please get in touch. Luke 07598 821663 luke@nayland10k.co.uk

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FUN VILLAGE QUIZ

Twenty three teams of four - our highest number yet and a sellout - took part in the annual fun quiz organised by the Community Council at the village hall on 3rd February 2023.

The winners were *Dumb & Dumber* (Will, Andrew Ryan and Antonia and Stephen Rowland), with Vintage, Stoke the Bear and The Careless Mistakes in a three-way tie for second place.

It was another excellent quiz and most of all great fun; Well done Rachel for all the great questions and being a perfect question master.

Many thanks Claire and Wayne Buller and family who did a brilliant job with setting up, to the Hitchcock girls and friends who did a sterling job on the scoring and to Claire Buller and Jo Metson for managing the raffle. A huge thanks to everyone for being very generous when buying raffle tickets.

Community Council Chair, Rachel Hitchcock said: "It was a very successful evening and everyone had a great time." The event raised over £600 for council funds.









Nayland & District Horticultural Society

Bressingham Steam & Gardens Wednesday 21st June

Home of colour and drama since the 1953, the Bressingham Steam & Gardens are born of the passion and dedication of three generations of the Bloom Family.

Renowned worldwide for horticultural excellence, the gardens at Bressingham cover nearly 20 acres, and contain 8000 species. Horticulturist Alan Bloom combined his passion for plants and gardens with his love of steam, the famous Gallopers and the National Dad's Army collection to create a truly unique visitors experience.

Bressingham boasts a plethora of indoor and outdoor activities from our indoor recreation of a 1940's street, complete with air raid bunker and sweet shop, to riding the Victorian Gallopers and narrow gauge trains, or enjoying the beautiful gardens.

Coach leaving Nayland 9:30, departing the garden at 4:30.
The cost will be £25 to include travel and entry.
Refreshments are available. Open to non-members.

Early booking is advisable.

Cheques payable to Nayland & District Horticultural Society. Booking forms can be returned to the HortSoc box in the Post Office, or direct to Trevor Smy at 24 Harpers Estate.

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

Bressingham Steam & 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 Road /	Parkers Way / Harpe	ers Estate

Nayland & District Horticultural Society AGM & FUN **QUIZ EVENING** Tuesday 18th April 7.30pm - Church Hall All welcome Come along and see what a friendly bunch we are! Following the brief formalities, there will be refreshments and a fun guiz with horticulture in mind.

MORNING MARKET Saturday 13th May

9.30pm to noon Church Hall, Bear Street CO6 4HY

- Plants including Bedding & Vegetables
- Home-made Cakes and Preserves
- Refreshments
- Raffle (draw at 11.30am)

Donations of items for sale or raffle prizes would be very welcome and may be brought to the Hall from 8.30am on the Saturday morning or left with a committee member during the week leading up to the event.

Nayland with Wissington Conservation Society

www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk



For those interested in becoming a

member, membership is available

for £3 or £5 for joint.



The Village Lunch

Wednesday 12th April

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



Path to the Orchard, 1908 (© his estate

An illustrated talk by Jenny Hand Director, Munnings Museum, Dedham

'Sir Alfred Munnings:
Son of a Miller to President of the Royal Academy'

Tickets: £15 on sale from 22nd March from Nayland Post Office or from Terry Bannister 01206 262454 Last date for tickets Friday 7th April

All proceeds to the Village Hall fund





Saturday 22nd April

Meet at 1.30pm at the Village Hall Car Park

All welcome to help collect litter from the village and footpaths.

Equipment provided but please wear gloves.

Contact mary@naylandwithwissington.suffolk.gov.uk or 01206 262712 for more information Nayland-with-Wissington Conservation Society

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MEMORIES OF NAYLAND

Speaker: Sir Bob Russell



MONDAY 19th JUNE

7.15pm for 7.30pm Nayland Village Hall

All are most welcome

www.naylandconservation.org.uk

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON VILLAGE CALENDAR COMPETITION

This popular competition - first held in 2009 - will soon be taking place again. As holding it online has proved successful it will be conducted this way again.

As usual we welcome photographs taken in recent years, reflecting any of the 12 months of the year, representing our beautiful parish and our thriving community. 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 Jubilee Party, Fete, Open Gardens or Nayland 10K and society activities would also be appreciated.

The images should be <u>recognisable as being in Nayland or Wissington</u>. (Please remember that while shots of magnificent birds soaring overhead, cute animals in a field or spectacular skies are impressive they could be taken anywhere.) So please capture something familiar in the background.

It is necessary to remember that photographs of children must have parental knowledge and consent and whilst it is fine to photograph people participating in a public event, any bystanders in your scenes must be agreeable to publication.

The Community Council look forward to your participation in the presentation of our 'Village' calendar. There is no age limit and we would love to have more entries from young people, the aim is to make it an enjoyable community project.



Rules of Entry:

- The competition is open to residents of the Nayand with Wissington parish, and those who work in the parish or are active participants in parish societies or groups.
- Photographs should be <u>landscape orientation</u> and of good pixel size (high resolution).
- The images should be recognisable as being taken in Nayland or Wissington.
- If in doubt the map of the parish can be viewed at: naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk/Calendar
- If photographs include children parental consent must be obtained by the entrant.

- A maximum of 8 photographs per person may be entered
- Photographs should not be digitally enhanced.
- The deadline for entries will be Saturday 22nd April see details below.
- The display of photographs will be available to view online via <u>www.naylandandwiston.net</u> from 29th April to 1st May
- Email the numbers of your 12 favourite scenes to lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com Voting will close at midnight on 1st May.
- The 12 most popular photographs will announced on 8th May and will be included in the 2024 calendar.

Entries for Nayland with Wissington Calendar Photography Competition

When emailing your photographs for the competition, please include the following information in your first email which will act as your entry form.

Name - Telephone number - Address

Also if you are not a resident of Nayland with Wissington please give the name of your Nayland/Wiston workplace or the society/group in which your participate and your employer's or organisation secretary's name and telephone number.

Photographs can then be emailed through as attachments to: lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com in multiples or singularly but please send them as original high resolution .jpg files and provide brief details of the location where the photograph was taken.

(Please note: dragging photos into the email usually only provides a thumbnail and not a full size jpg attachment, it is generally better to use the email paperclip to find and attach your photo files.)

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to get in touch: **lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com** or Lorraine on 262807



TEAS AT THE FETE

The Village Fete will soon be upon us therefore I am looking for anyone willing to help serve refreshments, clear tables or do some washing up! in the village hall on **Monday 1st May**.

Volunteers from previous years have done a sterling job but have decided it's time to hang up their aprons and hence the requirement for new recruits. I'm hoping to have enough volunteers to be able to divide the afternoon into two 'shifts' so that there is an opportunity for those helping to be able to enjoy the fete.

I would also be grateful for any cake donations, a fete wouldn't be a fete without tea and cake!

If you can lend a hand or bake a cake can you please contact Karen Freeman, <u>karenfreeman@suffolkonline.net</u> or on 265152

VILLAGE HALL GARDEN WORKING PARTY

Saturday 1st April

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COMMUNITY PANTRY & HARDSHIP FUND

Foodstuffs and toiletries always accepted at the pantry situated in the West porch of St James' Church.

Any financial donations can be made to: Community Panty & Hardship Fund Sort Code 30 99 50 – Account No 24195560

Many thanks to all those who support the pantry and hardship fund.

RIVER WATCH

Thank you to those who kindly allow use of your interesting photographs to be included in the Community Times. As always if you spot anything of interest or unusual, do please send details for inclusion here to:

lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com

The Environment Agency (EA) state: any environmental incidents should be reported to their 24 hour hotline number: 0800 80 70 60. Any concerns regarding Avian Flu should be reported to the DEFRA helpline on 03459 335577. More details at: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/avian-influenza-bird-flu

WATER LEVELS & QUALITY

On the whole water levels seem to have maintained their seasonal norms and the flood channel doing its job when necessary of diverting high water levels away from the village.

The Fennages and fields on the Essex side of the village have as usual had spells of flooding this winter.

REED GROWTH AT THE WEIR

It will not be long before reeds start into growth again. Despite requests from residents, assurances and indications that some reed management would take place at Nayland Weir in 2022 this did not happen. What will the story be for 2023?

WILDFOWL & SWANS

As the Friends of Caley Green have reported the river swans have mated and begun nest building. The Meadow swans have been toing and froing from the pond to other section of the river - hopefully any territorial disputes will be minimal.

There have been a number of ducks, more than seen for



Thank you to Leila Wyllie who captured this photo of a pair of Egyptian Geese during their vist to Caley Green on 10th March; and to Richard Eades for the seasonal view below of high water at Wiston on 12th March.

some time. A pair of Egyptian Geese visited in early March. This isn't unusual; they have stopped by in recent years, as have Greylags. Canada Geese tend to use parts of the river other than Caley Green. Gordon our much loved resident Greylag is still very much missed, it has been two years since we lost him to Avian Flu.



CALEY GREEN

During the winter season the Green has been quieter but still much enjoyed by residents and dedicated river users. The Friends continue to keep an eye on the Green and the wildfowl. An additional litter bin has been installed by the bus stop. The daffodils are providing cheer despite two incidents of road maintenance vehicles driving over them.

RIVERBANK PROTECTION UPDATE

As reported previously four specialist contractors visited the site and gave their advice on the best solution to prevent further erosion. The consensus of advice was to install replacement wooden revetment round the whole of the bay area. This information was passed on to the Suffolk County Council (SCC) Properties Officer; he has only just responded and a site meeting is scheduled for 24th March.

THE LONG REED BED

The situation with the 'wall of reeds' remains extremely disappointing. The patience of residents is wearing thin with the lack of action by SCC, Their Properties Officer said that some of the tall Norfolk reeds would be cut during 2022 and a future management plan put in place. It's hoped this will also be on the agenda for the site meeting.

LASTING MEMORIAL ON THE GREEN

The Parish Council are seeking advice and permission from SCC for a proposal to siting a specimen tree of stature on Caley Green to commemorate the late Queen and a bench and plaque for the new King. The SCC Officer indicated this should not be a problem, saying it would be a lovely idea; hopefully he will confirm this during the site meeting.

THE CULVERT

Clearance by SCC still hasn't been done. Silt continues to accumulate in the mouth of the culvert. Another issue for the site meeting on 24th March.

RIVERBANK LITTER BY SLUICE GATES

In September a Nayland resident received confirmation from SCC that they were landowners on the triangle of land between the A134 and the fork in the river adjacent the sluice gates. SCC were then alerted to some flytipping and considerable general litter on the land and riverbank. The SCC Property Information Officer advised they would sending a contactor to check the work involved to remove the litter and the fly tipping.

In February the resident followed this up, suggesting that it would be good to get the work completed before the spring growth. The swift response from the SCC Officer was "This email has been forwarded on to the contractor for comment."

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SEE IT, SNAP IT, SEND IT

View the colour version of the Community Times at: www.naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk/
CommunityTimes.
https://html
Do keep scenes you see coming to lorraine.nayland @btinternet.com.

NIGHT SKY OVER WISTON:

19th January 2023 at - 7.30pm

The latest mobile phones are indeed a technological marvel that many of us now cannot do without. After viewing a You-Tube video on "mobile phone astrophotography", I decided to see if my phone would live up to the hype. I searched out various articles/videos from the Internet to get some tips, dusted off my camera tripod and purchased a mobile phone mount. Then all that was needed was a clear night sky. It happened on 19th January - wrapping up warm I ventured into my back garden.

After wrestling with the mount until it held my mobile firmly in place and pointed in the right direction, I was ready. Using the standard camera app in PRO mode, all that was left to do was to select a target and adjust the settings. Using the free app 'Sky-Map', it was noted that Planet **Jupiter** was visible from Wiston and would make a good target. Following the Internet tips, my Samsung S22 Ultra, running Android 13/UI 5.0, was set to: ISO=1600, Shutter Speed=20 sec., FOCUS=AUTO.

Jupiter turned out to be an excellent choice of target and was easily located with Sky-Map. The final result was far better than expected. Two stars, not visible with the naked eye, appeared in the shot due to the long exposure time. These were: **Algenib** and **Alpheratz** which are located 392 and 97 light years away respectively. They are shown in the photo above and to the right of Jupiter, which, at the time, was only a mere 792 million km distance away.

Graham W Griffiths, Wissington Uplands





COMMEMORATE TREE PLANTING

In February, a small group of volunteers including Parish Councillors, allotment holders and the Parish Tree Warden planted twenty trees as part of the Queen's Canopy scheme to create a triangular copse at the far end of the meadow behind the allotments. Nayland with Wissington Parish Council made a successful application to Babergh District Council in 2022 and received the trees and expert advice from the District Biodiversity Officer. His selection of native species (crabapple, hazel, spindle, guelder and hawthorn) should provide a good habitat and food source for birds, pollinating insects and small mammals in the years to come. The Parish Council will install a commemorative plaque to commemorate Her Late Majesty's seventy year reign.

Clir. Mary George, Photo by Laura Erith





SEE IT, SNAP IT, SEND IT...



Thank you to Nicola Thorogood for sharing this charming view of St Mary's, Wiston with its seasonal carpet of Snowdrops.



Thanks to Antony Day for this photo of work in progress on the new riverside path. Further reported by the Nayland Land Company on page 26.

YOUR LETTERS...

STEER CLEAR OF THE STEERS!

Like many others, I enjoy walking in our beautiful countryside (especially since Lockdown!). On one Sunday recently, I took the road from Nayland to St Mary's in Wissington, deciding to return via the Stour Valley Path on the Suffolk side.

All went along quietly and I was almost back at Nags Corner when I arrived at a stile beyond which about eight young bullocks (full-sized - not calves) were quietly grazing. Brought up on the Pembrokeshire coast and with farms close-by, I have respect for cattle. But as I needed to be back in Nayland sharpish, I weighed up whether to press on or to retrace my steps and follow the much longer approach to Nayland via Water Lane.

Noticing the cattle had drifted over to the far end of the field and not having a dog with me (plus I thought the bovine residents were probably used to people tramping the Stour Valley Path) I decided to cross the field. Big mistake. I was about half-way over when I heard thundering hooves. A dark, honey coloured bullock was racing for me. There was an eight foot bramble hedge at my back so no escape there. I hadn't read the beginner's quide to 'What to do if you're charged by a bull', but my instinct was that, though he might be coming over for a chat, he was huge, had a fine set of horns and could easily knock me over - and worse. So I should not run (that hadn't occurred since about 1962 anyway) and should try to take control. This took the form of standing my ground and making very similar noises to a New Zealand Haka. The bull skidded to a halt about five feet from me, curious at my 'attempts'. I thought my number was up and was absolutely terrified, but six goes at the Haka convinced Mr Bull that there wasn't anything more entertaining going on, and he turned away. I could see an empty field beyond, and once he was clearly moving off, I ran!! More of a work-out than my planned leisurely stroll indeed.

A very important lesson was learned: even if you can see your destination within yards, DO NOT WALK ACROSS A FIELD CONTAINING BULLOCKS. Ever. Phew!

Mandy Cook



On 23rd January it was cold enough for the flooded Fennages to freeze over as can be seen in this still from a video clip of David Lowe skating on the ice.



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Nayland with Wissington Society News



NEW to Nayland Flower Show

Tallest Sunflower Competition

Why not join in this friendly competitive activity?

Fun for all ages

Seeds or seedlings will be provided FREE. You just have to grow the plants on and in late July submit a photograph of the tallest Sunflower plant for display at the Flower Show.

Seeds are available now from Trevor Smy on 262022 or trevor.smy24@gmail.com

Seedlings will be available at the Morning Market on Saturday 13th May from 9.30am – 12noon in the Church Hall, Bear Street or after that from Trevor (as above)



ST JAMES' CHURCH NAYLAND

by Kathy Hunt (Church warden in residence) Tel: 262014

The church struggles on as part of village life. We have been able to maintain a rota of services every Sunday and this includes a family service (children WELCOME !!) once a month as well as more traditional services, and often a weekday morning service. Hopefully there's something to please everyone - so please join us, it can be a bit lonely!! But, there are success stories.

After a gestation period of four years improvements at the rear of the nave (that's the main bit of the building),

are complete and the removal of some pews and providing a stone floor have given us a better circulation area and enhanced the servery facility. Our thanks to our local village craftsmen who have done a wonderful job. Please go in and see it.

Coffee mornings are held on Wednesday mornings and these are well attended with a glorious selection of homemade cakes on offer, (there's also been the occasional sausage roll!). The time and effort by the dedicated few who make this possible is very much appreciated.

And then there are the concerts. What can we say about the concerts? There have been some brilliant musical evenings drawing in audiences of 80 to 100 people,

we even had the pirate flag flying from the church tower! These events are organised by the 'Friends of St James'. The 'Friends' are instrumental in raising funds for the maintenance of the church and their contribution is invaluable, which brings me onto the Annual Fete on 1st May. May is going to be a busy month this year and a lot of people are putting much time and effort into plans. But, EVERYTHING NEEDS HELP. The regular Fete organisers and helpers need assistance in making these events a success, it cannot be left to the same people so, please, if you can spare an hour (day!) or three to help you will be most welcome.

Another positive story from the church is that bellringing training is going well and, fingers crossed, we may be able to ring for the King!!

The church also provides the local 'Food Bank' and this is well used. And throughout all this a largely anonymous group use the vacuum cleaner, dusters and brooms, fill the flower vases and put the bins out - thank you all.

The church, like the Village Hall, is a public building that does much to support the community. In a world where we

seem to be getting more isolated, the chance to meet face to face to celebrate or grieve, listen or watch, sing or dance or just sit in quiet contemplation are occasions when we need community places which need to be supported - or to put it another way, need money. So, please use it, join support organisations, attend events or they will go! See you at Evensong!!

Photos: The Jolly Roger flying for the Sea Shanty event (by Chris Hunt) and the Coffee Morning enjoys a larger circulation area (by James Carver).







THE FRIENDS OF CALEY GREEN

Sally Dalton johnansal@live.co.uk 262675

The river swans mated at the end of February and have started building their nest. It's in similar place to last years nest. See if you can spot it!

The new waste bin has arrived on the green, and is situated behind the bus stop.

The daffodils are now in full bloom to herald spring has arrived and there were some snowdrop clumps signalling new year, new growth.

The river has not had many visitors over the last few weeks, apart from a few hardy fishermen.

Several ducks have been spotted with some venturing into nearby gardens looking for nesting sites.

Let's hope it is a good year for the wildlife on the green.

Photo: The swans at Caley Green reminding us all that Valentine's Day was imminent. Thanks to Nayland House for this photo taken on 9th February.



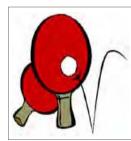


TABLE TENNIS CLUB

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The Table Tennis Club meet every Monday, including most bank holidays, between 2pm and 4pm and we have a good number of regular members playing.

Please contact Tony or Jane for more information or call in on a Monday afternoon for a chat.



NAYLAND CHOIR

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We are currently rehearsing the beautiful Fauré Requiem and other stunning pieces for our next concert on Sunday 26th March at 4pm at St James' Church . We are lucky to have some amazing soloists with us for this performance so do come along. Tickets at £10 (under 18s free) are available from Nayland Post Office or at www.nayland.events.org

We're delighted to say that we have gained some new members in the last year but please do come along to try us out - there's no such thing as 'too big' when it comes to Nayland choir! In particular, we do need to recruit more basses to balance out the other sections. We rehearse at Nayland School, Bear Street from 8-10pm on Thursdays.

In other news, Nayland Choir turns 30 next year and exciting events are being planned... more details to follow throughout the year!

We look forward to seeing you!



FRIENDS OF WISTON CHURCH

Registered Charity No 1158565 Email: wistonfriends@gmail.com

Chairman: Simon Empson 01206 460250 Treasurer: Julian Baker 01206 262653

The Friends of Wiston Church is an organisation dedicated to raising money to help maintain the fabric of our much loved ancient building.

If you're not already part of our small community, we'd love to hear from you!

We're always looking for new supporters - business and personal - so if you might be willing to help, we'd be delighted to hear from you!

Many kind individuals give £10-£20 a month (or £120-£240 annually). You can set up a regular subscription - and the amount is entirely up to you. As an alternative, if you might consider leaving a bequest in your will, please, feel free to get in touch to discuss it.

The need to maintain the church fabric never stops - we'd be so grateful for anything you feel able to give - no matter how modest. If you can - please DONATE NOW and help support Wiston Church!



NAYLAND ART GROUP

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We are continuing to enjoy our painting and other art projects; our most recent tutor-led sessions have included a still life, looking at the hard and soft edges of different textures. We have also painted daffodils, exploring different styles from botanical to the more expressive. In between, people have been working on their own projects and we always enjoy seeing what everyone else is doing and swapping ideas.

We are hoping to organise some future outings for the summer term.#

We have been pleased to have some interest from new people recently. We meet on Wednesday afternoons and anyone is welcome to join us, whether a beginner or more experienced. We pay £20 per half term but taster sessions are free so, if you are interested, please call or email.



THE VILLAGE LUNCH

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The next Nayland Village Lunch will take place on Wednesday 12th April in the Village Hall when Jenny Hand, Director of the Munnings Art Museum in Dedham will give an illustrated talk on 'Sir Alfred Munnings: Son of a Miller to President of the Royal Academy '.

In this talk Jenny will present an overview of the life and work of the artist Sir Alfred Munnings (1878-1959), Past President of the Royal Academy of Arts (1944-1949). From his early training in Norwich, his association with the Newlyn School in Cornwall, work as a war artist to the equestrian portraits of society figures and the Royal family which brought him fame. Jenny explores both paintings in detail and the social context in which they were made.

Jenny Hand has been the Director of the Munnings Art Museum since 2013. Since that time Jenny and her team have instigated a programme of changing exhibitions, catalogued and researched the previously dormant archive and begun a series of publications. They have also developed a growing and ever more popular series of workshops and events to inspire today's pleinair and equestrian artists.

The format as usual; 11.45am for the talks at 12 followed by lunch at 1pm. A two course lunch will be served and please bring your own drinks. Tickets are £15 and will be available in the Post Office or from Terry Bannister on 262454 from 22nd March until 7th April.

We would like to thank everyone for their continued support of the lunches to raise money for the Village Hall.



NAYLAND FIRST RESPONSE TEAM

Coordinator: Tracy Le Grys 01206 271553 Mob 07504 118843 tracyb295@googlemail.com

We are pleased to have recruited several new first responders in recent months; we now have four fully trained responders and and a fifth one set to join us in May.

If you would like any more information on the group and how we operate please do not hesitate to contact me on tracyb295@googlemail.com or view http://www.eastamb.nhs.uk/join-the-team/community-first-responders



NAYLAND AND DISTRICT ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Chairman: Robert Dossor 265912 robert@ovcottage.com

Secretary: Kathy Hunt 262014

Our meeting on 13th March was held, as usual in the Church Hall, where an audience of about 50 people heard our speaker, Commander Mark Leaning RN, who had been a Midshipman on a Frigate in the Falklands conflict, describe some of his naval exploits. In a lively illustrated talk Cdr Leaning described the journey from a deployment in the Mediterranean down to the South Atlantic conflict, when they had expected to go to the Caribbean and deter drug-running, quite a contrast! The actions to liberate South Georgia and in San Carlos water with narrow escapes from Argentinian bombing raids and rescuing SAS Troopers stranded ashore, right up to the final surrender kept the audience completely engaged.

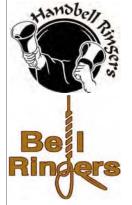
Our next meeting will be on **Monday 22nd May**, in the Village Hall to hear Cdr Jonty Powis relate his stories about the deployment of **HMS Conqueror in the Falklands Conflict** in which he served as the Navigating Officer. She was the only nuclear submarine ever to successfully engage an enemy with torpedoes and this event is – like all our meetings – open to everyone.

There will be a collection in support of Derby Sea Cadets.

We have organised a trip to Suffolk County Council's 'Energy from waste Plant' on Wednesday 12th July, which still has vacancies; if you would like to come please contact the Chairman.

Sadly, we have lost Alex Murrison, one of our longest-serving members and a past Chairman, but we shall parade the Legion Standard at Alex's funeral on 25th March as a mark of respect.

Finally, we are delighted that Kathy Hunt has agreed to serve as Secretary to the Branch, which will greatly improve our administration.



NAYLAND HANDBELL & CHURCH BELL RINGERS

Church Bells: Chris Hunt 262014 - Handbells Hazel Gardiner 262582

A piece of music not infrequently requested on Classic FM is the Ashokan farewell played by the Band of the Royal Marines. The Ashokan is a reservoir in Ulster County New York and its shores are used for Summer Camps. This music is played when the camps break up - a pretty, lilting, folksy tune. Given its popularity this is one of the latest arrangements the Handbell Group is attempting. Not perfection yet but we are practising hard!

The ringers are delighted to have secured a summer booking from a community group in Hadleigh and looking much further forward are taking bookings for Christmas 2023.

Practice day is Tuesdays at 1.30pm-3pm in the Church Hall; come along to a practice if you wish to know more about the group.

Now, the 'big' bells in the tower......

I am pleased to say that our training is going along like the 'clappers' !!

Learning to ring is not as easy as it sounds and you do need patience and determination and that has certainly been the case. Bell ringing was featured on BBC Radio Suffolk recently and the reporter did say it takes some getting the hang of!

We are making progress which includes visiting other churches to ring different bells. The social side of teamwork is also a plus - post ringing visits to partake of some form of liquid refreshment seems to have crept in! Hopefully we will be able to ring sometime over Coronation weekend.

Again, if there are any former ringers out there who would like to return to ringing, please contact me.



NAYLAND SURGERY NEWS

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The dispensary hours at Nayland Surgery have now changed. We are open Monday to Thursday 9am - 5pm and Friday 9am - 3pm.

We continue to offer appointments in the evenings and Saturdays as part of our enhanced access service.

We are still hosting a dementia café at our Creffield site for patients with dementia and their carers. We send out invitations to those patients who are eligible and offer a range of speakers providing information on different support services.

The surgery will be closed for staff training in the afternoon on 29th March and 26th April.

TELEPHONY HUB

We just want to share that we are continually reviewing our system and listening to the feedback from our patients.

We gave a lot of thought to the telephony hub. This wasn't a decision we took lightly and the idea was originally born from patients and staff feedback. Several patients were phoning each of our sites to get an appointment, this was increasing the number of patient contacts with the surgery. Patients didn't feel they were getting the same response from each site as of course they all work slightly differently and over the last couple of years, during periods of illness it has proved difficult to staff multiple sites and we do not want patient care to be affected. Therefore, we decided on a group approach that means that staff are working in a bigger team, thus more supported. They are now also trained together so patients receive the same message across the board. Patients now know where they are in the queue and although this may seem daunting, all of these calls are answered and because the receptionists in the telephony hub are the only people booking appointments, they have appointments to offer at all sites and more importantly the staff are trained to book the patients in with the correct clinician as we have HCA's, Nurses, Nurse Practitioners, Physiotherapists, Clinical Pharmacists and of course Doctors within the practice.

We have done a recent audit and although someone may be 50 in the queue the average wait time is 15 minutes. I appreciate that is an average, so on a Monday morning at 8am it may be a lot longer. We are using this audit to look at peak times and if we need to recruit more receptionists to the hub to reduce the wait time further. There has been claims that patients are over 70 in the queue but we have been assured by the telephone company that the maximum number that can be in the queue at any one time is 50.

Once the patient has an appointment the service remains the same, they can still come to the surgery for their appointments, they are greeted by the receptionist that they are used to seeing, they can still book blood tests and nurse appointments in the surgery if they wish, see the doctors and nurses they are used to seeing and visit the dispensary. There is also an option on the main telephone number to contact the dispensary by phone from 9am - 2pm each day. You an also book an appointment in advance with our receptionist on site if the Doctor has requested you book a follow up appointment.

We appreciate there have been some teething issues with the telephone system and people have been cut off but we are doing all we can to work with the telephone company to fix this issue, this is unfortunately out of our control. We have tried to make the options on the phone as succinct as possible. There is a very short message when you are connected just to remind you that the options have changed and what you should do if you have a life threatening emergency. You are then given the options to book an appointment, cancel an appointment or speak to Nayland dispensary between 9am and 2pm. We are currently reviewing the messages that play while you wait on the phone.

We are trying to provide the best service we can with the resources we have available to us, all of our staff are working exceptionally hard. I know this may take some time to get used to, but the system cannot go back to having three separate reception teams at all three sites. This will also not help to increase the appointments available once you get through as although we have recruited additional Doctors, Paramedics, Physiotherapists, Nurses and other staff over the last couple of years, we are finding it a real challenge to keep up with the current demand. We will continue to do our best as we are committed to getting this right for our patients.



NAYLAND AND DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Chair: Trevor Smy 262022 trevor.smy24@gmail.com www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk

Our first event for 2023 was our **Spring Speaker**, Roger Hance, a photographer, who gave an interesting talk on *'Landscapes and Seascapes throughout the British Isles'*. Roger was very knowledgeable and passed on some useful techniques as well as showing his excellent photographs. Unfortunately the talk was very poorly attended which was disappointing for the committee.

Just after the Community Times goes to print our annual Spring Flower Show will be held; this is usually a cheerful, colourful occasion and we will report how it went and the results of the classes in the next issue.

Please come along to our **AGM & Fun Quiz** on **18th April**, 7.30pm in the Church Hall. Our fairly brief AGM formalities will be followed by a fun horticultural-themed quiz. Members and prospective members are very welcome.

Membership for 2023 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.

The **Morning Market** on **13th May** will be held in the Church Hall between 9.30am and 12 noon. Bedding and vegetable plants will be on sale, as well as home-made cakes and preserves. Refreshments are available and there will be a raffle (draw taking place at 11.30 am). Donations of items for sale or raffle prizes would be very welcome and may be brought to the hall from 8.30am on the Saturday morning or left with a committee member during the week leading up to the event.

Our next coach outing, on Wednesday 21st June, will be to Bressingham Steam & Gardens in Norfolk; further details and booking form on page 14. Renowned worldwide for horticultural excellence, the gardens at Bressingham cover nearly 20 acres, and contain 8000 species. Horticulturist Alan Bloom combined his passion for plants and gardens with his love of steam, the famous Gallopers and the National Dad's Army collection to create a truly unique visitors experience. The cost will be £25 per person. This is open to all, not just HortSoc members, so please spread the word and invite your friends.

Schedules for the **Summer Flower Show** to be held on **Saturday 5th August** will be distributed from March and are also available in the Post Office, or can be downloaded from our website. The subject for the adults' photography section will be 'People or pets enjoying the garden or countryside', and for young people aged 14 and under 'I took this myself', so don't forget to get out and about with your cameras soon to capture some colourful shots. HortSoc are grateful to the advertisers in the schedule who enable us to fund this promotion.

As part of the Show, we are introducing a **Tallest Sunflower & Hollyhock Competition**. Sunflower seeds or seedlings will be provided free for entrants to grow on. Seeds may be obtained from Trevor Smy; his contact details as above. If you do not wish to germinate the seeds yourself seedlings will be available at the **Morning Market** on Saturday 13th May and after that from Trevor. For the Hollyhock competition we are simply looking for the tallest hollyhock - of any variety or colour - grown within the parish of Nayland with Wissington.

For both competitions, a photo of your sunflower or hollyhock with the measurements will need to be submitted by Wednesday 2nd August. Photos will be to displayed and the winners announced at the Flower Show on Saturday 5th August. Further details will appear in the next Community Times, in the Flower Show schedule and on our website.



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We are pleased to be able to report Nayland with Wissington Land Company has completed phase 1 of our path improvement works being approximately 250 metres from pond to the bottom of the A134 steps and to the Community Council bench. Grass seed will be sown in due course so please tread carefully/considerately!

The work was carried out by Danny Thurlow Landscapes and was paid for from a generous grant from DEFRA (kindly facilitated by Dedham Vale AONB) and from our existing resources. Big thanks to Danny and his two sons. Other thanks to both Simon Amstutz and Emma Black of the AONB team and DEFRA of course.

We will give every consideration over the next 12 months to see how the new path performs and if we are happy and IF funds permit we improve another stretch. The intention is to enhance accessibility for the better enjoyment of the field and river.

Without donations of money, grants and volunteer labour nothing gets done so thanks to all of who have supported no matter how large/small. Please do consider if you can help whether before or after you enjoy the field!

Thanks to those who have supported this and for all the helpful comments. The approximate cost per metre of the path was £80 and should any residents OR others wish to donate/sponsor whether for this first stretch or any subsequent stretch please contact us in the usual way. Every little helps. Details below.

Additionally I am very pleased to report that we have planted 20 oak trees in between the coppiced hedge and the laid hedge. These trees will fill the gaps as and when any ash trees succumb to ash dieback. We will be keeping our eyes open for dark patches on the ash trees in the summer and any leaves turning black. (You might want to check your own gardens.) Trevor Smith of Leavenheath supplied these beautiful young oaks plus the stakes and guards. Much appreciated Trevor. Thank you!

Separately we should be able to see the shepherd's sheep on the field in the usual way starting March/April. As ever the gamboling lambs are a joy to watch.

Finally (in addition to any other Nayland plans) should anybody wish to sponsor a memorial tree(s) in relation to Queen Elizabeth II or to commemorate the coronation of King Charles III again do feel free to get in touch.



NAYLAND CINEMA

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We have continued to screen a film once a month in the village hall in the evening and attempt to vary the material chosen to appeal to the wider audience. With this in mind, and following the success of Akenfield last year, we are planning some matinee performances to screen films which are a little different from those of the big screen. The first of these for this year is **Eric Ravilious Drawn to War** which recounts a life as compelling and enigmatic as his art, set against the dramatic wartime locations that inspired him. The story is told in Ravilious's own words through a wealth of material drawn from a treasure trove of private correspondence and previously unseen archive. The link between Ravilious and Nash arose when Eric studied under Paul Nash at the Royal College of Art.

The film will be screened on **Tuesday 4th April**, doors open 1.30pm, with the matinee ticket price of £5 to include refreshments.

Drawn to War will be followed by a totally different film, **Fisherman's Friends 2** to be screened on **Friday 21st April**, that may well include some of the Shanty Songs sung recently in St James' Church by The Hoolies!

We look forward to the lighter, warmer evenings when we hope to be able to enjoy a pizza from Tim The Mindful Baker and a chilled glass of something from the bar to be enjoyed in the open. Ice creams are always available whatever the time of year! We have yet to receive our film menu for the quarter May to August so please check the village website for further information when it becomes available.

The next films chosen from the Moviola film menu will be:

Tuesday 4th April (matinee): Eric Ravilious Drawn to War is a documentary feature film about Eric Ravilious (1903-1942), the much loved but hugely underestimated British Official War Artist artist, killed in a plane crash over Iceland in 1942. His life was as compelling and enigmatic as his art, set against the dramatic wartime locations that inspire him. This film brings to life this unique and still grossly undervalued British artist caught in the crossfire of war 80 years ago, whose legacy largely sank without trace, until now...

21st April: *Fishermen's Friends: One and All (2022).* is a sequel to the British comedy docudrama and charts the next instalment of the Fisherman's Friends uplifting true-story. Following the unexpected success of the band's debut album "No Hopers, Jokers and Rogues" we re-join them almost a year later, struggling with the pressures, pitfalls and temptations of their newfound fame. It all continues the journey with the loveable 'buoy band', as they navigate the choppy waters of fame, second album syndrome, and performing on the pyramid stage at Glastonbury. Nobody said pop stardom would be easy.



ST JAMES' CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGING TEAM

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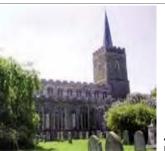
EASTER FLOWERS

Donations would be gratefully received towards flowers for decorating **St James' Church** for Easter and throughout the year. They can be given to 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 compliments are expressed about the flowers in the church; the village is most grateful to the team of dedicated and talented flower arrangers.

If anyone with an interest in flower arranging would like to join our little team or like to know more, please contact Jeannette.

We would like to take this opportunity to send Jeannette our best wishes and wish her a speedy recovery



THE FRIENDS OF ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NAYLAND

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The Sea Shanty Evening with 'The Hoolies' held on 17th February was very successful. The Jolly Roger pirate flag flying was even flying from the church tower!

Darius Laws, who helped organise the Shanty Night said: "I'm extremely grateful that Wivenhoe based Sea Shanty supergroup The Hoolies managed to fit us into their busy tour schedule. We sold over 100 tickets raising money for the Church as well as Colchester Foodbank. Everyone had a great time and a few families allowed their children to stay beyond their typical bedtime as they joined in with the fun."

On 24th February there was a Recital in the Old Chapel on Stoke Road.

Looking ahead, on Friday 18th May Jana Varga returns to Nayland where having already shown her versatility, mixing classical, folk, jazz and more at previous appearances, this time she presents an evening which nods to many of her influences from the '60's and '70's - the 'golden age of music'. Alongside Jana will be another highly regarded singer-songwriter Adam Norsworthy so this should be a wonderful evening of acoustic music, including some tunes you might know, from two exceptionally fine storytelling musicians.

Tickets and further information can be found via www.naylandevents.org. If anyone would prefer to pay cash just kindly call Mark Eade (07860 286688)



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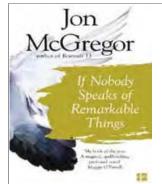
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The speaker for February was Justin Dowding, who gave a very interesting talk of his life and work in Japan. Our birthday lunch in March was postponed until a future date to be decided.

On 13th April Chris Hunt will be sharing his considerable knowledge talking about 'Exploring our Local Footpaths' and on 11th May we will hold our AGM and Resolutions.

The new programme for 2023/2024 is ready for printing, with speakers covering many varied subjects. Details will also be posted on the WI notice-board in the village centre.

We welcome new members and guests who may be interested in our talks and activities. We meet on the second Thursday of the month at 2.30pm in the Village Hall.



BOOK CLUB

Jane Barbrook 263619 janebarbrook@hotmail.com

Our last book 'If Nobody Speaks of Remarkable Things' by Jon McGregor is a novel written almost like a prose poem. It traces the lives of ordinary neighbours in a residential city street in England. Most of the characters are not given names (they are identified by the number of their house or by certain physical features). During the course of the book, we are introduced to the neighbours who are all interesting in their own way, and have their own stories. At the very beginning of the book an unnamed tragedy occurs and it is only at the end of the book we find out what happened.

Our current book is 'The Push' by Ashley Audrain.



NAYLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mrs Kennedy

CELEBRATION OF SCHOOLS' MUSIC - SNAPE MALTINGS

After a few years of restricted singing in schools due to Covid-19 regulations, we wanted to reboot singing at Nayland. Children from years 3-6 formed a special group (known as The Snapers!) to perform at this prestigious event. The music was influenced by past favourites from the school choirs and STOMP as we told the story of singing through the various stages of lockdown. We depicted the isolation many of us feel. The children (2m distanced!) engaged in their own activities in isolation (football, computing, reading, hula-hooping, instrument practice etc) gradually coming together by singing call and response songs, then cannons in small 'bubbles' before becoming a full choir – finally singing with gusto together.

In addition, the whole school learned a specially commissioned song for the event which included British Sign Language (BSL), and our Snapers enjoyed rehearsing this firstly with the composer herself (Charlotte Harding) and then with all the other performers that evening – nearly 300 in all. Even with 300 people performing, there was still room on the intimidatingly large stage – all the more impressive then that our young performers, especially those singing solo parts, completely 'nailed it'! Many thanks to Nayland School's HAS, Emma Bishton, Lynne Kilshaw and Amber Betts for their support. ROCK STEADY COMES TO NAYLAND

One ordinary Thursday morning in school was transformed into a rock venue as Tim (a multi-talented rock musician for Rock Steady) wowed everyone during our whole school assembly and ensuing key stage workshops. It was LOUD!!! The children got to experience being in a rock band and even the teachers had a turn! Children were then invited to sign up for rock band lessons where they will learn an instrument and song of their choosing to perform as a rock band. Fortunately, as these are electric instruments (including the drums) there is a volume control button!

YEAR 6 AT PGL

Another fantastic time was had by all at PGL. This year, as last, we went a little closer to home to the spectacular Bawdsey Manor overlooking the North Sea. The usual challenges of facing great heights, building rafts and buggies and packing and carrying our own luggage were all present! We all developed resilience and empathy during their week away. There were many moments of triumph and hilarity. Now we're all refreshed and ready for the final preparations for Key Stage 2 SATs in May.





Woodland Corner

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

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We have been busy celebrating this half term. First, we made pancakes for Shrove Tuesday, coloured daffodils for St David's Day and painted shamrocks for St Patrick's Day. We celebrated World Book Day with story week, the practitioners all read their favourite stories and the children brought theirs into share. Making cards and key rings for Mothering Sunday have kept us busy too! We will have lots of Easter crafts and activities in the last two weeks of term and are looking forward to joining Cynet class for an Easter Egg Hunt.

The Easter Egg Hunt and Raffle will be held on 30th March and our Easter Holiday Clubs are almost full. Please see our adverts on page 7 or more information.

Hopefully the weather will be warmer when we return for the Summer term, and we can wear less layers in the garden and have lots of water play.

We have already received lots of enquiries for September sessions, please get in touch if you would like to come and look around.

Please support Woodland Corner when shopping on-line – go to www.Easyfundraising.org.uk and select Woodland Corner as your chosen charity and we will receive a small donation when you shop. We also collect used inkjet cartridges, please leave them on our wall opposite the Vicarage.



NAYLAND BABY & TODDLER GROUP

Leader: Gillian Manser 01206 751094 gmmanser1@gmail.com

Facebook: Nayland Baby & Toddler Group



The Nayland Baby and Toddler Group meets on Fridays, from 9.30am until 11.15am in Nayland Village Hall. Sessions follow term times with some extended closures around school holidays. The group's last session before Easter will be on Fuday the 24th March. We will then open on 21st and 28th April and 12th and 19th May. Our summer term opening dates are the 16th, 23rd and 30th June and the 7th July.

Please check the 'Nayland Baby and Toddler' Facebook page for more details.

Sessions cost £3.50 per family which includes tea/coffee and biscuits for adults and snacks and juice for children. We have lots of activities planned and there is plenty of space for physical play including a climbing frame, tricycles, construction toys and lots more. We look forward to welcoming you and your little ones.



Family@Nayland

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We continue to hold our family services on the third Sunday of every month, 10am, St James' Nayland - all ages are very welcome!

In March, we celebrated Mothering Sunday together, where we thought about all those who have 'mothered' us, and thanked God for the people who have taken care of us during our lives. We talked about how God looks after the birds and the flowers, and how he cares for us, because we are so much more important to him than birds and flowers. We made some birds for our crafting activity and finished the service by giving posies to all the ladies in the congregation.

The next services will be on Sundays 16th April and 21st May - please put the dates in your diaries and come along.



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NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

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www.naylandconservation.org.uk



The Committee of the Society have made a written representation to Babergh District Council outlining the Society's concerns with the manner in which recent planning decisions and planning enforcement matters have been handled; an extract from that is set out on the page opposite. At the same time the Parish Council have made their own representations and we are currently awaiting a response to our proposal that we and the Parish Council meet the Head of Planning and the Chair of the Planning Committee team to discuss the matters we and the Parish Council have raised.

Open Gardens will take place on Sunday the 4th of June; slightly earlier than usual. For a variety of reasons, this year we have fewer gardens participating and I invite any reader to consider whether they might like to share their garden? In particular, I would ask anyone who lives on the Heights to consider opening their gardens. We often have many gardens open in the older part of the village and it would be a pleasure to spread the event more widely.

Tickets can be purchased on-line before the event at https://naylandevents.org

I mentioned in the last edition that a speed test was due to start at the end of January to ascertain whether the current average traffic speed complied with the criteria set by Suffolk County Council to permit consideration of a 20 mph speed limit or zone within the village. The results confirmed that the criteria have been met but your County Councillor, James Finch, needs to be aware if there is sufficient support for this scheme in the village. Accordingly, if you haven't done already, please email me with a brief message of support if you would like to see the scheme in the village. My email address is mikeiphunter@gmail.com.

Our AGM on the 6th of March was very well attended and our speaker, local resident Mark Wilkinson, made an excellent presentation. He concentrated upon his stamp design, produced mainly for the Channel Islands, but also made reference to his other illustrative works, including his record sleeve designs, for which he is internationally famous.

Our spring litter pick held in conjunction with the Parish Council will take place on the 23rd April. We supply hi-viz jackets, refuse bags and litter pickers but please wear stout footwear and gloves. We shall meet in the Village Hall car park at 1.30pm and look forward to your company.

The spring footpath walk takes place on Sunday the 14th May starting



from Wiston Church car park at 2.30pm when Chris Hunt will lead us on a circular route via Little Horkesley. The focus of the walk will be the topic of bombing in the Dedham Vale!



VILLAGE PLAYERS

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Chair: Mark Russell 07572 031769 markfrankrussell@gmail.com

The Village Players have just completed their spring play. 'Snake in the Grass' was directed by Chrissy Kettle (who last directed 'Deep Blue Sea' for the Players in 2017) and was an all-female three-hander, featuring Nayland newcomer (but vastly experienced) Helen Bridge as Annabel Chester, regular cast member Emma Wallis (Eville Queen from the panto) as her sister Miriam Chester; and Alice Gurden (Dorothy in the panto) as Alice Moody.

'Snake in the Grass', by Alan Ayckbourn, is one of the 'Things That Go Bump' trilogy. Dialogue-heavy, dark at times and with moments of high drama, the play was a stark contrast to the last Ayckbourn piece the Players performed (the laugh out loud comedy *'Cash on Delivery'* in 2019) and a perfect counterpoise to the multi-cast, mad-cap, gag a minute panto *'The Oz Factor'* which was performed in December. A full review will appear in the next edition of The Community Times.

But there is no time to hang around - the next production has already been selected. Directed by Jim Bond, 'Kidnapped at Christmas' will play this winter - look out for details about auditions in the summer. Plans are already afoot for spring 2024 as well (we are *so* organised), more details to follow.

The Players are also planning (hopefully) a boat trip from Sudbury during the summer - watch this space - and the yearly barbecue returns to chez Charlie Erith in September. If you can't wait until then for a beer or a wine, why not join us at The Anchor for our bi-monthly drink-up? May 4th (Star Wars jokes please) at 8pm.

Before all of that is the AGM on April 19th at the Church Hall, Bear Street. 7:30 for drinks and crisp-based snacks, 8pm kick off. It would be lovely to see as many of you there as the hall will hold!

We would, as always, love to welcome new members. For this, or any more information about the Nayland Village Players, please contact Mark Russell on markfrankrussell@gmail.com or visit: villageplayers.co.uk

God bless you all.

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EXTRACT FROM THE CONSULTATION PAPER SUBMITTED BY NWW CONSERVATION SOCIETY TO BABERGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

INTRODUCTION

The Nayland with Wissington Conservation Society (CS) was formed in 1974 to (inter alia) promote high standards of planning and architecture in the parish of Nayland with Wissington and currently enjoys a membership in excess of 300. The CS and its members are anxious to help protect and preserve the high quality of the delightful countryside in the vicinity which is fortunate in forming part of the Dedham Vale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (DVAONB). We accept and acknowledge that this duty is also undertaken by Babergh District Council (BDC).

However, during the last few years the committee of the CS have become increasingly concerned with the performance of the BDC in connection with planning and enforcement matters which in the committee's view have resulted in a damaging impact upon the parish.

Paragraph 176 of the NPPF provides that "Great weight should be given to conserving and enhancing landscape and scenic beauty in National Parks, the Broads and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty which have the highest status of protection in relation to these issues."

It is the contention of the CS that BDC have failed to implement a high status of protection on many occasions. The more important examples are set out below: -

A. Site at rear of the Willows Wiston Road

- 1.In April 2021 a non-compliance report (reference325174732) was lodged with BDC by the CS in relation to the storage of building materials on agricultural land at the rear of the Willows immediately adjacent to the A134 one of the two major roads that cross the DVAONB.
- 2.A response was received from BDC on the 5th May advising that it had been concluded there was not a breach of planning control. However, this was not in accordance with a phone call received from the enforcement officer in which he advised he had spoken to the land owner who explained that the site was being used for a brief period as a result of the pandemic and would shortly be cleared.
- 3.On the 5th November the CS wrote again to BDC advising that the land was still being used for commercial storage and seeking an explanation from BDC why no action was being taken. No response was received and on the 6th December a reminder was sent to which no response was received.
- 4.In the absence of any response, on the 7th of January 2022 a complaint was lodged by the Society using the BDC formal complaint procedure and reference number CU391033532 was allocated. A further nine weeks elapsed without response until the intervention of District Councillor Melanie Barrett prompted a response from Mr Isbell on the 7th of April.
- 5.In due course Planning Enforcement Officer Charlotte Bayes dealt with the issue of unauthorised storage and on the 13th June 2022 wrote to CS advising that (a) the land had been cleared of building material and commercial items (b) the breach of planning control had been resolved and (c) no further action is required and the file was being closed.
- 6.On 19th September 2022 the CS advised BDC of the existence of a large waste mound of earth and other material close to the site which was the subject matter of the previous complaints. On the 20th September 2022 BDC replied that "storage of soil materials gives rise to extremely limited (if any) planning harm and it was not in the public interest to investigate further."
- 7.On 20th September 2022 the CS advised BDC (inter alia) (a) the waste mound included debris other than soil (a photo was annexed) (b) the mound was adjacent to the River Stour and there was a risk of pollution to the river. No reply was received.
- 8.On 3rd October a reminder was sent to BDC to which no reply was received.
- 9.On 26th October an enforcement report relating to the mound was filed under reference 461152429 and an email sent to the BDC officer advising him of same.
- 10. Since that date no response has been received nor has any

action been taken by BDC in connection with this matter save for correspondence with the BDC Customer Liaison Officer who assured the CS on the 14th December that a response to the outstanding matter will be provided. No response has been received at the time of preparation of this report.

B. Site at New Farm Harpers Hill Planning reference DC/17/04206

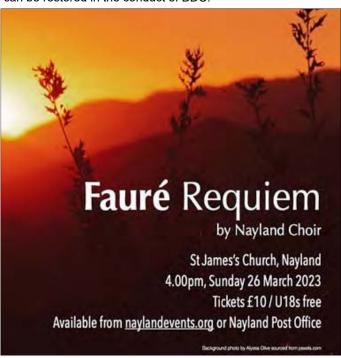
- 1. This application related to the construction of 9 dwellings on a site within the DVAONB but outside the village envelope. There was substantial opposition to the application.
- 2.Outline permission was granted by BDC. As can be seen from the attached photographs the houses which have been erected are of a very poor visual quality. They abut one of the two major roads that pass through the DVAONB. It is beyond comprehension that such a poorly designed development could have been permitted having regard to paragraph 176 of the NPPF.

C. Site at the Bungalow Harpers Hill Planning Reference DC/19/03822

- 1.This application related to the erection of 6 dwellings. The same applicant had previously been granted permission to erect 5 dwellings on the adjacent site.
- 2.Paragraph 20 of the BDC Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document states "Babergh District Council will be alert to, and not permit any benefit to be gained from, the artificial or contrived subdivision of a site to circumvent the affordable housing policies. If the Council believes there is a reasonable expectation of adjoining land coming forward for housing development, it will take account of the whole site area when calculating what affordable housing is required."
- 3.The CS in its objection stated "For the purpose of the obligation to provide affordable housing, this site (which proposes the erection of 6 dwellings) should be aggregated with the adjoining site (where permission was granted for the erection of 5 houses to the same applicant) and in the event that this application is granted an obligation to provide affordable housing should be included."
- 4.BDC chose to ignore the provisions of its own policy paper and the representations made by the CS.

CONCLUSION

The above examples are only a few of the issues which have given rise to the concerns of the CS regarding the manner in which planning and enforcement matters are being dealt with by BDC. Accordingly, we would like to meet with the Chief Planning Officer and Chair of the Planning Committee to discuss our concerns in the hope that a degree of confidence can be restored in the conduct of BDC.





VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Registered Charity No 304 928 ww.naylandandwiston.net > Village Hall

Chairman: Iain Wright 263646 Secretary: Christine Thompson 262825



FEBRUARY MEETING

MATTERS ARISING & HOUSEKEEPING BOOK

- The calendar for February was read out.
- The PRS licence is due for renewal this month.
- Locks have carried out the PAT testing of equipment in the kitchen.
- The toilet behind the stage will be checked
- The monthly fire check for January was carried out.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- It was agreed that the hiring costs will have to be increased from April due to the increased costs of running the hall.
- The Parish Council will be asked for their contribution towards the internet in the hall.

ROOF REPLACEMENT

- An application to the Jubilee fund has reached the second stage.
- There will be four fundraising events this year. Plans for the organisation of these events are underway.
 - Local band 'Abbey Road' will perform a concert of Beatles music on Saturday 4th March.
 - 2. There will be a Midsummer Concert on the evening of 24th June.
 - 3. An Afternoon Tea with music is being planned on 14th July.
- 4. A two-day Fun, Food & Music Festival will be organised on 2nd & 3rd September.

AOB:

• A letter of complaint about the hall lighting was received. This issue can be addressed when the roof is replaced

MARCH MEETING

MATTERS ARISING & HOUSEKEEPING BOOK

- The calendar for March was read out.
- The external maintenance check will be carried out.
- The quarterly inspection of the hall will be carried out.
- The gutters will be cleared.
- The toilet behind the stage has had a new seat fitted.
- The chairs with arms will have the arms riveted to prevent them from falling off.
- There is now a cool cabinet under the bar.
- The former Carpet Bowls cupboard will now be used as an additional chair store so that the bar area can be kept clear.

MAINTENANCE

- The windows at the Fen Street end of the hall will be replaced.
 BOOKINGS
- The hall is being very well used and early booking is advised.

VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK

The VHMC would like to remind villagers that when an event is held in the hall the hirers have the sole use of the car park.

CLASSES & GROUPS IN THE VILLAGE HALL

- Mondays: 9.30am Acrylic Painting, 2pm Table Tennis, 6pm Pregnancy/Luna Yoga
- Tuesdays: 9.15 Pilates, 3pm Dance Fitness Club
- · Wednesdays: 2pm Yoga
- Thursdays: 10am Botanical Drawing (during April), 6pm Zumba Class
- Fridays: 9.30am Baby & Toddler Group
- Saturdays: 7.30am Yoga

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Endowment Fund £14,974, COIF £19,472, Bank £15,376, Cash 534, Debtors £0, Assets £24,428 (inc new front doors).
- The VHMC has received a locality award of £2641 from the district councillor Melanie Barratt towards the budget for the Picnic in the Park event.

ROOF REPLACEMENT

- The start of the works has been delayed to allow more time for fundraising and grant applications.
- An application to the Lottery fund has reached the second stage.
- Local band 'Abbey Road' performed a concert of Beatles music on Saturday 4th March. This was a great success, both financially raising £2,210 and as a very enjoyable social event. Members of both the VHMC & the Community Council worked together to enable this event to happen.



- There will be 3 further fundraising events this year. Plans for the organisation of these events are underway.
 - 1. A Midsummer Concert on the evening of 24th June.
 - 2. An Afternoon Tea with Music is being planned on 14th July.
 - 3. A two-day Fun, Food & Music Festival will be organised on 2nd & 3rd September. All the groups who use the hall will be invited to set up a stall in the hall during the festival in order to recruit new members

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- The next meeting will be on Monday 3rd April @ 7.30pm in the hall committee room.
- The Spring Garden Working Party will be on Saturday 1st April from 9am

COLLECTION OF KEYS

Amendments to the arrangements for the collection of keys will be made but in the meantime please collect them from John & Yvonne Spooner at 99 Bear Street (262291).

Please refer to the Village Hall pages on the website: <u>naylandandwiston.net</u>

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.

VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

lain Wright reminded the meeting that the village hall is owned by the Parish Council (PC) and is managed by the VHMC on your and their behalf.

During the year we have renewed the main front doors, the door to the Community Council (CC) store and the double doors to the outside store. This was grant funded by the CC and the VHMC is very grateful for their support. The VHMC are also grateful to the CC for their additional support in the planned fund raising events, including the performance by *Abbey Road* playing Beatles music. I hope that you all have bought tickets. The entrance hall has been thoroughly sanded down and all loose paint removed, then re-decorated with three coats of emulsion paint. The paint was supplied by Kent Blaxill thanks to Mrs Elizabeth Cash.

Please take a moment to look around the hall and passageway to look at the Nayland pictures; they are scenes from Nayland and Village Hall events. The idea came from Chris Hunt who saved the picture from the Anchor when it was being refurbished. The additional pictures were provided by Lorraine Brooks from her archives. Lorraine kindly provided several pictures and a small band of volunteers picked the pictures to be framed and subsequently hung in their current locations. I am very grateful to Chris Hunt, Wendy Sparrow, Gerry Battye and Claire Buller for their assistance in picking the pictures and helping with hanging. I hope that you all agree that these pictures are a valuable asset to the village hall and a future inspiration to future generations of the village.

During the last year your Village Hall has re-opened after the lifting of the Covid-19 restrictions and as Christine Thompson has highlighted we have an increase in the hall bookings from pre-Covid levels. This is down to the tireless efforts of Christine to find other opportunities for the village hall to be let.

Our treasurer has requested that the hiring costs for the village hall are increased due to rising costs and increased maintenance.

The village hall roof replacement, your VHMC is currently seeking additional grants from the Platinum Jubilee Village Hall Fund; Babergh District Council CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) and Community Grants; the National Lottery and other sources. Both the applications to the Platinum Jubilee Village Hall fund and the Babergh grants are dependent on all of the remaining funds being available. This presents a serious logistical problem but hopefully we shall overcome.

Your VHMC in conjunction with the CC have arranged for events to raise funds for the replacement VH roof and photovoltaic panels. The events are designed to show off the versatility of your village hall and also that of Webb's Meadow. I hope that you can come to all of the events.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The results for the year ending 31 December 2022 show total receipts of £39,196, current expenditure of £27,055(excluding depreciation of £785) and capital expenditure of £11,469. Balance sheet items are as follows:

Endowment Deposit £14,974, Own Deposit £19,472, Bank £15,445, Cash £ 310, Debtors £0, Assets £24,428

2022 was the year in which the hall properly recovered from the effects of the pandemic. General bookings were 30% up on 2019 (the last full year prior to the pandemic) at £22,192, the cinema generated a profit of £971 and a very successful village lunch contributed £780. Also, donations to the roof replacement fund totalled £600. Our thanks go to everyone involved in these fund raising activities. In addition, we received a £10,000 grant from the Community Council (for which we are very, very grateful) and also a £2,667 Covid grant from Babergh DC. These grants were used to pay for the replacement of the front doors, and various external wooden doors to the hall, totalling £11,469.

From an expenditure point of view the figures do not look encouraging. We all know that we are living through a cost of living 'crisis', which has adversely affected our operating costs. For example, electricity bills have increased by nearly 60%,

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and oil by over 100%. These two items alone are £3,479 more than the comparable 2019 figures. Other costs have increased more or less in line with inflation. Significant maintenance items during 2022 include the redecoration of the entrance hall and upgrading the lighting in the common areas, totalling £4,214. With the above in mind, your committee has decided to increase the published Village Hall Charges, with effect from the 1st April 2023. The details are to be found on the website, but will be in the region of 20%.

Elizabeth Cash was thanked for her donation of the paint for the foyer.

Finally, it should be noted that the hall building and land (which are very significant village assets) do not show in these accounts, as they are owned by the Parish Council but leased and managed on their behalf by the NVHMC.

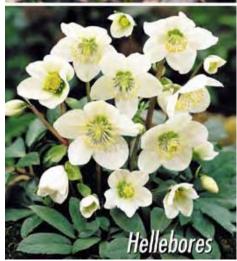
ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The VHMC were re-elected: Chairman Iain Wright, Treasurer Peter Mann, Secretary Christine Thompson, Committee Nick Moriarty and Dawn Harris.

AOB

- The VHMC members gave a brief account of their roles & the role that Karen Freeman, Norman Ryan & Mary Knapp play in running the cinema. Without the voluntary help of these villagers, the hall could not function.
- A new keyholder is needed for the occasional hirers as Johnny Spooner is retiring after many years of loyal service. Regular hirers now have been issued with keys.
- Mike Hunter thanked the VHMC for their hard work. He did raise the issue of excessive noise coming from the hall. A noise limiter is in the process of being fitted & hirers are warned about consideration for the neighbours
- The caretaker, Amy Christie, was praised for way in which she looks after the hall
- Johnny Spooner pointed out that information about the whereabouts of the lights & heating booster switch should be on the website. Justin Dowding will add some FAQS to the website & a reminder about leaving hall promptly.
- The VHMC members gave a brief account of their roles. Christine Thompson as Secretary and Bookings Secretary answers phone calls and emails about the bookings, sends the weekly bookings to the Caretaker and writes the Minutes. Nick Moriarty completes the monthly fire checks, arranges for Firepower to check the fire safety of the hall and assists hirers with lighting for events. Iain Wright as Chairman is in charge of hall maintenance and development. Peter Mann as Treasurer looks after the financial management of the hall. Dawn Harris as the PC rep reports back to the Council and helps with the running of the hall. Karen Freeman, Norman Ryan and Mary Knapp play an important part in running the cinema. Without the voluntary help of these villagers, the hall could not function.





Garden Notes

by The Old Muckspreader

A delightful plant just coming into flower, and not seen everywhere, is the **Erythronium**, the Dog-Tooth Violet, which is not a violet but a member of the Lily family, and derives its name from the curious shape of its bulbs. There are several species, with flowers ranging in colour from white through yellow to pink. They prefer a slightly shady and not too dry situation and, like snowdrops, don't succeed when bought as dry bulbs.

Winter Jasmine (J.Nudiflorum), can be cut back quite hard, giving them time to make a decent amount of growth on which to bear next season's flowers. if not already done the common Buddleia (B. Davidii and its various named cultivars) can be cut back to within two healthy buds. If possible cut back to a point where a side shoot is growing; this will then become the growing point, and furthermore the cut will be less obvious. What should not be done is to leave a stump of an inch or more sticking out, which will probably die back as well as looking ugly.

Wisterias are unusual among flowering shrubs in that they should be pruned twice yearly. The first cut can be done now, by cutting back any long shoots. The same procedure should be carried out again in late summer, when they will have produced more growth.

Later on the spring subjects which have finished flowering such as Forsythia, Ribes (Flowering Currant) and Laurustinus can be pruned to preserve their shape and renew some of the old growth.

This month's plant is the **Hellebore**. There are two main species. The first to flower is H. Niger, the so-called Christmas Rose, though the name is a misnomer, and it rarely flowers before February. It's not easy to grow, with the foliage looking untidy and the flowers rather distorted.

The Lenten Hellebore, H. Orientalis is a much better plant. The flowers in various colours from white to deep purple, some with markings inside the petals stand up well clear of the foliage. Some gardeners cut off all the leaves when the flowers appear, but the OM/S prefers the natural look. Hellebores usually set large amounts of seed, and if you are prepared to be patient after a few years you can produce a colony of these plants.

In gardens, as in many other aspects of life, there are **fashions. Hellebores are no exception** and some nurseries are now charging fancy prices for doubles and other strange forms. Here we grow a large group of the old single white form, and it would be hard to beat it.

For anyone interested in visiting a garden with a myriad of gems, even at this time of year, consider visiting Beth Chatto Gardens at Elmstead Market. The carpets of Eranthus and Snowdrops will be followed by other spring favourites including several varieties of Erythronium and Hellebores. After being tempted in the gardens the plants will be on sale in the nursery. www.bethchatto.co.uk

WORDSEARCH: Springtime flowering plants & shrubs

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AN INSTRUMENT OF OFFICE

An interesting discovery was made in Ipswich in 1978. A 19th century wooden truncheon made for Nayland's Parish Constables was found and subsequently acquired by former Parish Recorder, Blair Lees, who lived at Stour House. How it got to Ipswich we had no idea but it was of great interest to us both.

Whilst researching the history of my cottage I had discovered that Thomas Marshall who lived here in the 1800s had been a Constable appointed by the Manor Court. I also found out that Thomas Marshall's son-in-law who lived at Stour House, almost next door, had been appointed a Constable in 1833. Both men had also been members of the Manor Court. Blair and I liked to think the Nayland truncheon had hung on a nail in both our houses during Queen Victoria's reign!

When Blair sadly died in 1989 the truncheon was given to me and once again hangs here in Court Street. The truncheon is 18" long and 11/2" in diameter. At the head of the staff appears the monogram of King William IV followed by his Royal Arms surmounted by the Crown. The White Horse of Hanover stands out clearly in the centre and beneath it all is a scarlet scroll bearing the single word NAYLAND in capital letters.

Parish Constables were appointed annually by the Manor Court, normally only serving for one year, and were a link between the Lord and his tenants. The office was unpaid and no expenses were paid for loss of earnings. The Constable was a busy man and had many duties including raising taxes and keeping accounts for the court; he was also responsible to the Head Constable of the hundred and to the Justices of the Peace. Many regarded the position as an honour which gave them status in the community but some thought it took up so much of a man's time that his own affairs were frequently totally neglected, too often to his ruin. In dealing with petty law and order he was responsible for the stocks, pillory and village lock up, whipping of vagrants, securing prisoners and escorting them to the quarter sessions or assizes; he also collected county rates and national taxes such as the poll tax, hearth tax and land tax as well as having military duties, being responsible for weights and measures and the supervision of ale houses. Another duty was dealing with the distribution of money to the poor of the parish.

The office was gradually replaced by the establishment of larger police forces in the mid 19th century. Sir Robert Peel founded the Metropolitan Police in 1829 but it took several years to spread from London into the provinces with Essex being one of the first county constabularies to be formed in 1840. So, when the Nayland truncheon was in use, in the reign of William IV (1830-1837), village constables were still appointed by the Manor Court.

At the time of the Domesday Survey the Manor of Nayland extended across the county boundary into Essex and included Great and Lt Horkesley but these later became independent. Manor Courts were held several times a year and were held at the manor house or some other public building, sometimes even the local pub. It was run by the Lord's Steward and for some years in Nayland this was Samuel Alston who lived in the house which later became known as Alston Court.

The Nayland Manor later became the Manor of Nayland with Downings and the Suffolk Record Office holds the minute books of its Court from 1729 to 1935. It seems the court was operative from 1625 until 1935 as in that year a deed of release was signed by the then Steward, Osborne J Ellison.

One of the main functions of the court was the transfer of properties and the settlement of local disputes relating to property. The minute books make fascinating reading and every old property in Nayland is mentioned in them. The first meeting each year was named the Court Baron and was specifically held to appoint the officers of the court for the year ahead and it also elected 2 Constables and 2 Ale tasters.

The truncheon issued to an elected Constable, who did not wear a uniform, was regarded as a symbol of authority

and a staff of office as much as an instrument of law and order. From the 18th century it was decorated, similar to those seen in the photograph. Until the mid 1990s police officers still carried a traditional wooden truncheon which had changed little since Victorian times. Nowadays it has been replaced by a baton made from materials such as carbon fibre or metal but it is still an essential part of a policeman's armoury.

Recently I was intrigued to be shown another truncheon by a collector of many historic artefacts. Mr Alan Cook from Colchester has amassed about 300 truncheons from all around the country including 15 for Suffolk and one from Navland! As you can see from the photograph his and my Nayland truncheons are very similar although the decoration is slightly different. However, they are both from William IV's reign. Alan has extensively researched the history of policing and the Truncheon about which he has written two books, titles below.

Coincidentally, information about another local truncheon recently came to light, this time sign written WEST SUFFOLK. This later one probably dates from the early 20th century and was issued by the West Suffolk police authority to Dr Slade, Nayland's GP and historian, who lived in Nayland from 1911 - 1937.

Amongst his many roles in the community Dr Slade served as a 'Special' Constable during the First World War, probably before he joined the Medical Corp. Special Constables were often called to work alongside Parish Constables, the difference was that they were enrolled for a specific purpose. Many were enrolled in the First World War to both supplement and replace the regular force. Included with Dr Slade's war medals was one awarded to him by the Special Constabulary for his long service.

Dr Slade's family remember the truncheon hanging up in Farthing Hall, Wiston, where they lived and Two Nayland William IV Truncheons they also have Dr Slade's brass



badge engraved, "Special Constable". Specials did not have a uniform but had a duty armband and badge. They also had a warrant card and a truncheon.

Yet one more decorated truncheon I know of is a truncheon from George III's reign (1760 - 1820) marked WISTON and shown to me some years ago by a descendant of the Stannard family who owned both Nayland and Wiston Mills during this era. Wiston being such a small rural parish, I somehow think that their Constable was not as busy as his Nayland counterpart.

Wendy Sparrow, Parish Recorder

Examples of Suffolk Truncheons can be seen at Ipswich Museum, Moyes Hall Museum, Bury St Edmunds, and the Suffolk Police Museum at their headquarters. My thanks to Alan Cook whose books are: Truncheons - An Unequal Match, pub 2014, and Broken Heads & Shattered Truncheons, pub 2022. Other sources: Oxford Companion to Local & Family History; the Nayland Record PAGE 35

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES

SESAW News:



The garden is full of birdsong heralding the arrival of Spring but it's so cold at the time of writing! Poor old Ollie (the Black) Cat is tantalised by the nesting birds he can only watch from the window as he recovers from a little accident. He has enjoyed being pampered but he's getting restless now.

The improvements outside are coming along nicely, thanks to our willing volunteers and a work party from the Colchester based branch of Informa. The team braved miserable weather to spruce up the site and were still smiling at the end of the day. A big thank you to all of them, please come back soon!

Thanks are also due to Pets At Home in Colchester for choosing SESAW as the store's official charity for 2023. We look forward to meeting customers in store during the year. Although we are currently 'hibernating' to facilitate site improvements, emergency admissions have continued as

circumstances force people to part with their family pets. If you are in a more fortunate position and looking for a new four-legged companion, please check our website or drop us an email with your details. We have many cats and dogs including Boots, a Chihuahua Terrier cross. She's very loving and needy, having been through a lot in her life and needs a special diet to keep her fit and well. She's a real cutie, ready to walk into your home and be the one and only your heart desires.

I hope the weather has warmed up by the time you read this from me, **Kenny (the Boss) Chihuahua**.

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WEATHER SUMMARY: January & February 2023 by David Lowe

January had a warm first half, cold middle and cool end. The warm period was also quite wet – the remainder pretty dry.

Not surprisingly, the warm period was dominated by low pressure systems tracking SW/NE across the country – this stopped on 17th when the flow switched to the north and then north east, as high pressure built up over Scandinavia. Slightly milder air came round high pressure that had developed over the Atlantic on the 25th, which ended the cycle of sharp frosts – lowest - 5°C but with - 4.3°C and - 4.2°C as well. This cold period lasted for 8 days and was sufficient to enable ice skating again in the Fens for several days (very rare twice a year) and even for one day on Nayland Fen.

Mean temperature was 5.3° C (4.39) with a low of - 5° C and high of 13.6° C (12.66). Lowest max was 2.3° C. There were 7 days (9.36) when 5° C was not reached and 19 (24.07) less than 10° C. There were 7 (10.07) air frosts and 14 each of ground (14.57) and grass frosts.

Bright sun hours were 77.2 (65.62) third sunniest over the 15 year record period, and solar energy 2080 Ly (1818.57). Evapotranspiration was 19mm (15.45).

Monthly rainfall was 77.2 mm (65.62) with a max day fall of 11mm (10.54). Highest rainfall rate was 66.2 mm/hr.

Average wind was 6.1 mph (4.39) with highest gust of 35 mph (36.87). Highest daily average was 12.8 (10.33). There were 7 days over 30 mph (4.71).

February's standout weather feature was its dryness – only 2.4 mm of rain. This makes it the driest February over the past

15 years by miles – the next nearest being 14 mm in 2012 – and against an average of 42.27 mm. A derisory total for 'February Fill Dyke'.

Low rainfall was a direct result of high pressure being situated over or very close to the British Isles for the entire month. Sometimes it was just to the east, drawing up warm air from the S Atlantic – sometimes to the north and west, bringing in cooler air - but never with a draw from the arctic, or northern Russia, bringing in really cold air.

Cloud amounts varied depending on humidity levels and whether there was a temperature inversion. Had the same synoptic arrangement existed in the simmer, some very high sunshine totals – as well as some high temperatures, would have been likely to result.

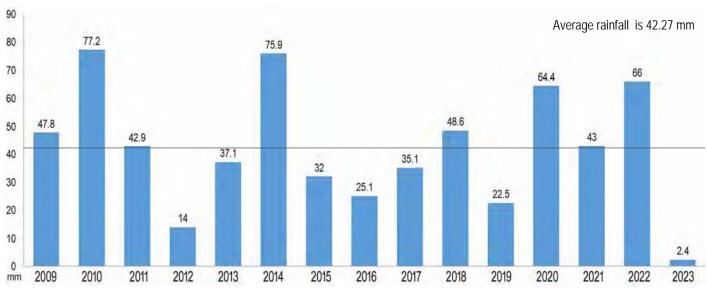
So it was an unusual month in terms of synoptic situation, but statistical outturns, apart from rain were broadly normal.

Mean temperature was 6.2° C (5.2) with a high of 15.4° C (14.31) and a low of -4.4° C (-3.28). Lowest max was 6.2° C (2.94). There were 10 air frosts (6.73) 10 ground frosts (11.07) and 13 grass frosts. On no day did the temp fail to rise above 0° C (0.33), on no day did it not reach 5° C (5.93), on 16 days not reach 10° C (17.6) and 27 not 15° C (27.67). On no day was the mean temperature less than 0° C (1.4).

Bright sun hours were 136.5 (119.5) solar energy was 3650 Ly (3253.67) and evapotranspiration 28 mm (25.59).

Mean wind strength was 5 mph (5.18) and highest gust 31 mph (38.8). Highest daily average wind speed was 10.1 mph (11.49). The predominant direction was SW, though in truth, it boxed the compass.

FEBRUARY RAINFALL 2009-2023





SHIRLEY SCARLETT

(June 1933 - January 2023)

Shirley Scarlett was born in London in June 1933 to Dr John McMichael and Mercia (known as Monnie) McMichael and had an older sister, Joyce.

Shirley continued to live in London until 1941 when her father joined the army and was posted to Thurso in Scotland. Many of her memories revolve around WW2. Whilst living in Thurso, Shirley used to describe a day when she saw a British Naval convoy preparing for another battle at sea. She said it was quite an incredible sight to see.

With her father being posted to Italy, her mother decided to move the family back to Beckenham in Kent to be nearer her brother. Shirley could never quite understand this decision, when most families were sending their children to remote places such as Scotland. Shirley would talk about how she would listen to the sound of the anti aircraft guns every night, and the times spent in the air raid shelter.

In 1943/44 when her father returned from the war, he was appointed Royal Physician to King George VI and the Royal Family at Sandringham. The family relocated to Dersingham, the next village to Sandringham. During the next few years Shirley took up horse riding, which quickly became her passion. She even rode Princess Margaret's pony and was very proud of this.

Shirley loved the film National Velvet, with a young Elizabeth Taylor winning the Grand National. Like lots of young girls, she would often play horses but on one occasion whilst staying at her grandparent's house, she was playing horses, galloping down the stairs and using her riding crop, accidentally tore a hole in a very expensive painting - she was not very popular with her grandparents!!

In the mid 1940s Shirley's father, Dr McMichael moved to and became the GP for Nayland. This is where her connection to Nayland began. The family lived at The Old Vicarage in the High Street. Dr Mac, as he became known, was very popular and well respected in Nayland.



Shirley with her first car outside the The Old Vicarage

In 1955 Shirley met Jim at a dance at the George Hotel in Colchester. They both shared a love of music and especially the big bands sound such as Glenn Miller. In later years, they both joined Severalls Concert Group in Colchester and took part in many shows. They married in 1957 at St James' Church and in the next four years they were happy to welcome Julie and Michael to the world.

For the next 28 years Jim and Shirley lived in Lexden, Colchester. During this time Shirley ran a very successful nursery school from her home for approx 10 years, looking after up to 20 children each day.

The family had lovely family holidays which were spent at the Isle of Wight in the same hotel every year. This was Jim's favorite holiday destination but each year Shirley would say, "but when are we going to Scotland?" She loved Scotland, but it wasn't until they retired that they finally went to Scotland.





Jim and Shirley

When the children left home Shirley returned to work as a carer working at a number of private care homes, Jane Walker Hospital at Wiston, and subsequently became a care home manager. She achieved a diploma in care management and became an approved assessor with Social Services, which she was most proud of. In her 70's Shirley also worked as an agency healthcare assistant at the Colchester Hospital.

In 1984 Shirley and Jim moved back to Nayland where they stayed for some 30 years. She really loved living in Nayland and was a very active member of the community; helping at the annual village Fete, joining the Village Players, singing in the choir, being a member of the Nayland Art Group, the Royal British Legion, and Nayland Women's Institute where she became President - a position she was proud of. If Nayland held an event, Shirley would volunteer to help and support where possible.

In their seventies Shirley and Jim built a new house in Stoke Road (known as Arran House) and enjoyed every minute of it. Shirley must take the credit for this. She made sure the architects and builders kept to budget and finished the build on time. She was a very strong character and no doubt they didn't have the nerve to say anything other than to agree to her demands.

Shirley held garden parties every year in the 80s for family and friends and really loved hosting these events. The family have great memoirs on CDs and will fondly watch these for years to come along with the thousands of photos she has taken and collected over the years.

Shirley was a kind and loving person, a wife, mum, mother-in -law, grandma and great grandma and a friend. She was a very strong character and will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by many.



Shirley (right) on the WI stall at Nayland's 2006 Street Fayre

TRICIA HALL

(March 1948 - January 2023)

Tricia Anne Webb was born in March 1948 in Dover, a town still bearing the scars of wartime bombing and shelling. Her father had been in Burma until 1946 and had returned to his job at the Post Office, while her mother worked in the paper mill having served her community as an auxiliary nurse throughout the war

Once Tricia was born, they lived in a well-appointed bungalow, built to ease the post-war housing shortage. When her father was promoted to work for Post Office Telephones the family, now including her younger brother Graham, moved to Canterbury.

Tricia went to St Thomas' primary and junior school where she was very happy and a model pupil, and then to St Anne's Convent College at Sturry. She had a good general education at the Convent, although one day complained that the nuns had shown them how to properly fold a wimple. "If they think we're all going to become nuns, they've got another thing coming".

In 1964 the family to Colchester. When her younger brother asked where that was, Tricia told him: "I think it's in the industrial north!" Tricia, due to her excellent shorthand and typing skills, got a job at the Valuation Office in North Hill. She was rated highly by the Superintendent Valuer, and she worked there until after she was married.

In the swinging sixties, Tricia loved the fashions and the music. She treasured her record player and her ever-growing collection of 45s. She also spent many hours making dresses from patterns, sewing them on an ancient Singer sewing machine inherited from her grandmother. She was very skilled at dressmaking and learned in time to ignore her father's comments that next time she should buy a little more fabric so the dresses wouldn't be so short.

Tricia and David married on 13th June 1970. Neither could believe their luck that the other one loved them. That's not a bad way to start a marriage. And this feeling would never go away. Over the next 50 years and more she loved him with all her heart and he loved her back. Other than work, and just the odd game of cricket, they spent little time apart. They helped each other through the ups and downs that life throws at us all. They shared their lives together and this made them both happy. Strawberries & Cream. Gin & Tonic. Tricia & David. Some things just belong together.

Two years into their marriage Katharine was born and a couple of years later, Richard. It was a great fortune in life to

have Tricia as their mum; loving, patient, gentle, generous, always selfless, never angry.

Her family, were showered with love. But her energy and capacity to care for others simply overflowed. So, Tricia channelled it into caring for the children in her community. For 40 years, she welcomed preschoolers through the doors of Nayland Playgroup, later to become Woodland Corner. She would reassure tearful two-year-olds as they were dropped off on their first morning: "You'll have great fun colouring, painting, listening to

stories. Before you know it, it will be home time." And she soothed the worries of all the parents who left them there. At the playgroup gates, she would reach out to families who were new to the area and welcome them to the community. Indeed, whenever someone new came into her life, her first thought was not "what can they do for me?", but always "what can I do for them?".

Many of her colleagues became great friends. Some she inspired to devote their lives to early years care and education. When she retired, she couldn't really give it up - and spent more happy mornings with the children and staff as a volunteer.

Tricia also served on the Community Council, giving her spare time to help organise events, such as Bonfire Night, Street



Tricia, right, preparing her famous mulled wine recipe for Bonfire Night

Fayres and Christmas activities, and allocate resources to support the village that she loved. She participated in her community. She helped to enrich it and keep it vibrant.

After Katharine and Richard left home, Tricia and David were able to have more time to themselves. They travelled, enjoyed the company of friends and Tricia spent time in her garden. As her own parents grew old, she cared for them with a love and dedication that was an example to us all.

Then came her grandchildren; Isobel and Emily; Elliot and Juliet. They were her pride and joy; she loved being a grandmother, being Nanna. There were family holidays, weekends, big days out and the everyday moments, which I think she treasured most.

Even as illness took more of her, she never complained. She spoke of how lucky she was not to be in pain, to have such wonderful support from medical staff, friends and neighbours. And through it all was David, caring for her, comforting her, protecting her until the end. The final proof, should it be needed, of his love.

Each of us will remember Tricia in our own way. As we continue with our lives, memories of her kindness, her putting of others first, her knack of always seeing the best in people. She loved. She was loved. She made a difference. Tricia will be missed and fondly remembered by many......

Sue Clarke said: "Tricia was a remarkable lady. She touched so many lives: the children, their parents, the staff and volunteers. A teacher in those important early years when children's brains are developing fast; giving them early learning experiences ready for their next stage at school. Every child was important to Tricia. A friend, a mentor and a quiet influence to all those who worked with her, helping them to achieve their own early years qualifications. Tricia was the heart and soul of Nayland Playgroup. I am proud to have known her and honoured to be considered her friend."

Cheryl Leeks said: "We will miss Tricia popping in for a coffee and a catch up about our own children and her grandchildren. We always exchanged birthday good wishes; her birthday would have been on 19th March".

Claire Buller said: "Tricia was the kindest, most patient and brave person I ever knew. She leaves behind so many people who loved her and whose lives she enriched. Everyone who knew her was better off for it. The Community Council were the better for having Tricia involved. Many a happy hour was spent preparing for the bonfire night mulled wine stall and Tricia's special recipe will be her legacy to the CC. Thank you Tricia for your many decades of service, we were honoured to have you as part of the team."

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FIVE PARISHES CHURCH SERVICES:

Nayland, Wiston, Leavenheath, Stoke by Nayland & Polstead

Please check the Benefice website and Facebook page for updates: www.naylandchurches.wordpress.com/ - and - www.facebook.com/naylandchurches/

CHURCH SERVICES: April

Sunday 2nd Palm Sunday	9.45am 10.00am	Procession Service St James	Nayland Nayland
Hioly Week Monday 3rd Tuesday 4th Wdenesday 5th Maundy Thurs	7.00pm 7.00pm 7.00pm 7.00pm		Polstead Leavenheath Wiston Nayland
Good Friday 7th	10.00am 10.30am	Stream Handel's Messiah An Hour at the Cross	Leavenheath Nayland Stoke Stoke Stoke
Saturday 8th Easter Eve	7.00pm	Vigil Service	Nayland
Sunday 9th Easter Sunday	9.30pm 10.30am 11.00am	Family Morning Prayer	Polstead Wiston Stoke
Sunday 16th	8.00 am 9.30am 9.30am 10.00am 6.30pm	Morning Prayer Morning Prayer Family Service (HS/SJ)	Stoke Polstead Wiston Nayland Leavenheath VH
Sunday 23rd	8.00 am 9.30am 11.15am 6.30pm	Morning Prayer Holy Communion (SJ)	Wiston Stoke Leavenheath Nayland
Sunday 30th	10.00am	Holy Communion (SJ)	Wiston

ST JAMES' APCM

The Annual Parochial **Church** Meeting takes place on Monday 24th April at 6.30pm in St James' Church. All are welcome to attend.

Weekly Pew Sheets & Reading

If anyone would like to receive the weekly church pew sheets and readings via email please let Nicola know via email: nicola.church@yahoo.com

Weekday & Saturday Services

The following services will be held in our churches <u>every</u> week unless indicated in the weekly pew sheet. Do join us in our weekday worship.

Mondays:	8.30am	MP	Nayland
Tuesdays:	8.30am	MP	Leavenheath
Wednesdays:	9.00am	HC	Nayland
Thursdays:	8.30am	MP	Wiston
Fridays:	6.30pm	EP	Stoke
Saturdays:	6.00pm	С	Polstead

Key: MP Morning Prayer, HC Holy Communion, EP Evening Prayer, C Compline, BCP Book of Common Prayer

Daily church opening times: Nayland 10-5pm, Wiston 9-5pm Stoke 9-5pm, Leavenheath 10-5pm, Polstead 9-5pm.

CHURCH SERVICES: May

Sunday 7th Coronation Celebration Sunday	8.00 am 9.30am 9.30am 11.15am 6.30pm	First Sunday	Nayland Leavenheath VH Wiston Polstead Stoke
Sunday 14th Rogation weekend	9.30am 9.30am 11.00am 3.00pm	Morning Prayer Holy Communion (SJ) Holy Communion (SJ) Rogation Tractor Ride	Leavenheath Nayland Stoke Wiston
Thursday 18th Ascension Day	10.30am	Eucharist Service for the Deanery	Wiston
Sunday 21st	8.00am 9.30am 9.30am 10.00am 6.30pm	0)	Stoke Polstead Wiston Nayland Leavenheath VH
Sunday 28th	8.00 am 9.30am 11.15am 6.30pm	3 3	Wiston Stoke Leavenheath Nayland
Sunday 4th June	8.00 am 9.30am 9.30am 11.15am 4.00pm	Holy Communion (SJ)	Nayland Leavenheath VH Wiston Polstead Stoke

This rota is correct at time of going to print please also check timetable of services in your church porch on the website or Facebook

CHURCH CONTACT ALL DETAILS ON PAGE 47

If you require information about a baptism, marriage, funeral or anything pastoral please contact:

Rector: Revd Stéphane Javelle on 01206 263589 or rev.stephane.javelle@eclipso.eu (*Friday is his usual day off*) **Benefice Administrator**: Nicola Thorogood on 262453 or nicola.church@yahoo.com

Churchwarden for St James': Kathy Hunt (262014) is the point of contact for Nayland church queries.

FROM THE REGISTERS



DEATHS

Shirley Scarlett
Pamela Baker
Alexander Murrison
Jackie Keeble
Tricia Hall

BURIAL OF ASHES Sheila Sessions

BAPTISMS Benjamin Victor Engleheart Rigamonti

ROGATION SUNDAY

The usual tractor/trailer ride take place on Sunday 14th May

starting at 3pm from Newtons Farm, Wiston

We will 'beat the bounds' from Wiston, up to Shaddelows Farm, Nayland and back blessing the crops, farm animals and river en route, returning for tea and refreshments at St Mary's Wiston.

All are very welcome.

Why not come along and bring the children

Why not come along and bring the children on this trailer ride?

NAYLAND FAMILY SERVICE

The Family Sevrvice is held at 10am on the 3rd Sunday of the month at St James and followed by refreshments.

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- Nayland Village Hall, Church Lane, Nayland CO6 4JH on the outside wall to the right of the main entrance.

Please familiarise yourself with these locations and let your friends, family and neighbours know.

Minutes Matter.

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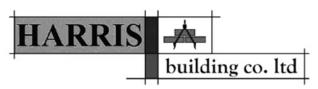
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- Highways Reporting: https://highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk/
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