



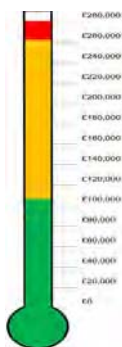
# NAYLAND<sup>WITH</sup> WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES

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## COMMUNITY CORONATION CELEBRATION?

Is there appetite for the village to come together to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III with friends and neighbours? The Village Hall has been reserved for Saturday 6th or Sunday 7th May in anticipation of such an occasion. But a few volunteers are needed if this is to go ahead.... see page 16.



## VILLAGE HALL: ROOF UPGRADE & FUNDRAISING

The Village Hall Management Committee continue to make progress with this project. Further pledges of funding have been received, grant applications made, consideration to a more environmentally sustainable future and a series of fundraising events for 2023 are planned. The fundraisers will be:

- 4th March: **Beatles Tribute Band** (*Abbey Road*)
- 24th June: **Midsummer Picnic in the park** (*Orchestral classics*)
- 14th July: **Afternoon Tea** (*background music*)
- 2nd/3rd September: **Fun, Food & Music Village Festival**

For a full update on progress and details on how donations to the fund can be made... see page 34.

**FEBRUARY 2023**

**No: 201**

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# NAYLAND FUN VILLAGE QUIZ

**Friday 3rd February 7.30pm sharp start Village Hall**

For further details see page 7

## THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS OF NAYLAND<sup>WITH</sup> WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Reg Charity No 304926

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## NAYLAND VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Reg Charity No 304928

**Wednesday 1st March**

in the Village Hall

**7.30pm Community Council**

(CC Exec meeting at 7pm)

**8.15pm Village Hall Management Committee**

**Everyone welcome**

**Please come along and support YOUR Community**

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

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

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## Notes by observer of the meeting: 14th December 2022

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

### PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMANSHIP

Robin Thorogood chaired the meeting.

### PUBLIC FORUM

Mike Hunter asked if the Parish Council felt they could challenge Babergh DC Planning and Enforcement on their lack of support.

### DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Melanie Barrett said a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) application for the maximum funding of £100k is currently being considered towards the Village Hall Roof.

Mary George said that she was investigating potential warm spaces including at Parkers Way and this will involve liaison with Melanie Barrett and James Finch.

### COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

James Finch said the winter gritting program and grit replenishment is underway. Suffolk Archives have produced an online gallery showcasing our late Queen. Further hosts are needed for Ukrainian families already here or fleeing the conflict.

White Lining renewal had been ordered for the Bear Street/A134 junction. The experimental yellow lines in Bear Street to remain; the lack of consultation regarding this is disappointing.

### FINANCE

Recommendations of the Finance Committee were approved including: A precept of £42,952 (1.9% increase) for 2023/24 year; a further maximum of £40,000 on top of the £10,000 already pledged can go towards the Village Hall Roof; Allotment Rent is to remain the same for next financial year; Burial Fees will have a small uplift to allow for inflation; Parish CIL monies are to be used for the new bins, new Play equipment and Village Hall Roof.

### PLANNING

Councillors heard that Babergh have granted permission at **1 Stoke Road [DC/22/04730]** for conversion of garage/store to home office/ancillary room to the main house; at **21 Stoke Road [DC/22/05149]** for construction of external staircase to existing double garage and installation of door; at **Nayland Village Hall Church Lane [DC/22/05491]** for non-material amendment relating to DC/22/01286 - to change part of the roof from slates to PV panels; at **White Hart 11 High Street [DC/22/05098]** for listed building amendment of conditions to render over gable end rather than exposing timbers.

Between meetings to meet the deadline councillors had no objections to an application at **Roziers Wissington Uplands [DC/22/05633]** for erection of three bay cart lodge; at **Old Brewery House. 20 Church Lane [DC/22/05718]** for erection of cart lodge with bike store and first floor home office, replacement of railings and erection of greenhouse (following demolition of existing carport and shed); at **The White House 16 Church Lane [DC/22/05721]** for erection of a cart lodge outbuilding.

Councillors objected to the application at **Oak Cottage, Kingsland Lane [DC/22/05478]** for erection of 2 holiday lodges and detached garage/cartlodge to replace existing buildings (re-submission of DC/21/06742). They object to further development of this site into the Countryside. The proposal is in a tranquil location in open countryside. In addition to protecting the nature of this location and not permitting any increase in the size and dominance of this site, it is essential that lighting at the proposal does not escape into the surrounding AONB and also that the footpaths in the vicinity remain unaltered.

Considering Mike Hunter's question regarding the level of service from Babergh councillors' recalled applications where their recommendations were seemingly ignored, the lack of site inspections and the delays with enforcement action. After discussion it was agreed for Laura Erith and Dawn Harris to join the Conservation Society to put a paper together on the subject which can be used to challenge Babergh Planning.

### A LASTING ROYAL MEMORIAL

It was resolved it would be better to agree a whole Community Memorial. The subject would be added to the Community

Council meeting agenda to gain further suggestions.

### HIGHWAYS

Mary George reported on the transport group meetings and that James Finch had chased up the issue of the unsafe bus stop. Highways have confirmed they have no budget for this and were trying to put the onus on the Parish Council. It was agreed for Mary George to attend the next transport group meeting in January and get some more details.

### HIGHWAYS – 20mph ZONE

The speed survey has been requested; three locations in the village will be monitored in January. James Finch is willing to fund the survey but if the results determine that a report is required he asked if the PC have considered the costs involved.

### STREET LIGHTING

Outstanding invoices have now been received by SCC; the situation is now up to date. It was agreed that the PC's lights would be programmed to remain on all night on both Christmas Eve and New Years Eve in line with the County Council lights.

### CALEY GREEN

The Caley Green working group had a zoom meeting recently to discuss the recommendations made by the Contractors approached to help with the project. The next stage would be to discuss with the County Council and the working group were to set up a meeting in January.

### RECREATION & OPEN SPACES

SCC have completed the tree work identified in their tree risk assessment that we had chased them for.

The new dog bins are being installed and we had a complaint from a resident in Court Street regarding the location.

The project for new play equipment at the Fairfield was at the stage of considering quotes. The work would be completed in drier weather, so there was still time to bring proposals to the PC. In relation to general maintenance, this is being examined and the cost will be considered at the January PC meeting.

### VILLAGE HALL

The floor needs maintenance, but the priority is the roof. Quotes for the roof are currently being sought.

Several fund raising events are proposed for 2023. The PC have pledged £40,000 towards the roof.

### ALLOTMENTS

The annual allotment meeting took place; the next meeting is scheduled for 20th March in the Church Hall. Rents have been requested. There is an issue with an Ash tree; our contractors have been asked to quote for this. Regular allotment inspections have now been instigated by the Committee. There were concerns that some allotments should be better maintained.

### BURIAL GROUND

The annual maintenance meeting with contractors determine work required. A general tidy costing £475 has been authorised. Heavy pollarding recommended would require alternative quotes from tree surgeons in the New Year. Mary George has updated the long term maintenance plan. Burial fees will be uplifted slightly. There had been a request for permission to install some ground level stones to a grave similar to other graves nearby; this would be looked at and considered between meetings.

### IN BRIEF

Dawn Harris will represent the PC at the January meeting of the CC.

Councillors agreed a request for Nayland Bear to utilise the old bus shelter over the festive season.

Councillors heard that the unsuitable stones laid erroneously in the vicinity of Dead Lane have been removed but not yet replaced.

A resident has written requesting a bottle bank; this subject has a long history with no suitable location being identified. The PC will reply asking for suggestions.

## Notes by observer of the meeting: 11th January 2023

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

### PARISH COUNCIL

Robin Thorogood chaired the meeting. Patricia Wilkie has resigned from the Council but will continue to assist on the Allotment and Caley Green working parties. There have been applications from two residents to join the Council.

### PUBLIC FORUM

Iain Wright updated councillors on progress with the village hall roof replacement project. He thanked them for their pledge of £40,000 towards the project. The committee continue to apply for further grant funding; they have sent out to tender the roof works for quotes; they are planning four fundraising events this year. The events are a Beatles tribute band on 4th March, on 24th June a Midsummer Picnic in the park (Orchestra playing classics), an Afternoon Tea (background music) on 14th July, a Village Festival on 2nd-3rd September. (full report on page 33)

Volunteers from the Benefice Community Pantry gave an overview of the project and requested consideration for financial help.

Sally Dalton asked for clarification on whether it was a 20mph zone or a 20mph limit that the Council and Conservation Society were working towards as they are different and whether a public consultation will take place before public money is spent on the proposal, especially as a previous 20mph project was cancelled due to objections by residents. She also asked if the PC will ask the District Councillor to request the planning application for 5 dwellings on Harpers Hill is raised with planning committee.

Answering Sally, Mike Hunter said he thinks it is a 20mph zone. He asked when the speed survey would be conducted and confirmed that the Conservation Society have objected to the planning application for 5 dwellings on Harpers Hill.

### PLANNING

Councillors heard that Babergh have granted permission at **The White House 16 Church Lane** [DC/22/05721] for erection of a cart lodge outbuilding and at **Old Brewery House. 20 Church Lane** [DC/22/05718] for erection of cart lodge with bike store and first floor home office, replacement of railings and erection of greenhouse (following demolition of existing carport and shed). Discharge of condition applications were granted at **1 Fen Street** [DC/22/06255] for DC/22/01271 relating to the timber frame; at **100 Bear Street** [DC/22/05791] for DC/20/04533 relating to facing and roofing materials; at **Mill House 12 Mill Street** [DC/22/05147] for DC/21/06087 relating to dining room fireplace and internal door detail were part granted.

Discussing recent applications councillors had no objections to applications at **Sandpits Farm Champions Hill** [DC/22/06362] for a lawful development certificate for existing use of the residential property and for listed building consent at **72 - 74 Bear Street** [DC/22/06331] for demolition of existing conservatory, erection of single storey rear extension, internal alterations, glazed link between house and garage, new garage roof and partial conversion of garage into guest bedroom and ensuite.

Dawn Harris reported on progress compiling a paper, in conjunction with the Conservation Society (CS), to challenge the level of service from Babergh's planning department. She said the CS are working on a paper with examples where they feel Babergh has let them down; Dawn and Laura Erith are working on examples the PC feel are relevant. Tricia Fuller raised the developments on the north side of Harpers Hill which controversially avoided the legal requirement for inclusion of low cost housing.

### Site Adjacent Paddock Grove Harpers Hill

Discussing this full planning application for construction of 5 dwellings [DC/22/06294] councillors raised a number of concerns including closeness to the road, small gardens, the scale, design and layout and that three storeys are proposed. Councillors were not opposed to something being on the site but felt this proposal was not appropriate and would raise an objection. Patricia Fuller would draft a response.

### Land Adjacent To Nayland Primary School

Discussing this recently received application for erection of a

single-storey detached dwelling with carport and garage on land in front of the old scout hut next to the burial ground councillors had a number of concerns and would request an extension for commenting as this is a controversial application. Concerns were raised including: regarding the driveway which has shared ownership; access over the recently created parking spaces and refurbish turning circle; future plans for the old scout hut as this was not stated in the application; the adjacent PROW alongside the burial ground; the design and access statement; the design was not fitting in its surrounds.

### HIGHWAYS – 20mph ZONE

James Finch said the speed survey is scheduled to commence on 26<sup>th</sup> January for 7 days. The locations will be: Stoke Road by the old chapel; Bear St by the school junction; Court Street by number 27.

James Finch said any public consultation would be the responsibility of the PC and would take place if, following the results of the survey data, they wish to proceed with the project. Consideration to funding the project would be discussed once the data is known.

### BUS SERVICE

Mary George attended the January transport group meeting. There is no progress towards provision of safer, permanent bus stops on the A134. James Finch said Chambers are still considering the 84 route which may be reduced or even lost altogether.

### A LASTING ROYAL MEMORIAL

Dawn Harris reported that the consensus at the Community Council meeting for a memorial was a specimen tree with a plaque and a wrought iron surround for the late Queen and beside it a bench and plaque for the new King situated on Caley Green. It had been suggested that planting should fit with the Coronation date and children and residents encouraged to attend.

On the suggestion of a village sign, Dawn said the CC meeting supported a village sign that but felt it was separate project. On a suggestion for plaques for the late Queen and new King in the church, Mary George said this would not be a straightforward option. Mary George again said that SCC had in the past not wanted any more trees planted on Caley Green; it was suggested they could be asked for their current opinion explaining what it is for and that it is a community request. It was felt more information should be gathered, including the tree species, proposed location, to put forward to SCC as a proposal; Dawn Harris and Gerry Battye would progress this.

### CALEY GREEN

Mary George said there had been no response from SCC to have a site meeting during January so there is nothing to report; she will remind SCC.

### RECREATION & OPEN SPACES

The project for new play equipment in memory of Margaret Underwood at the Fairfield is progressing; the working party are collating information and quotes to put before the Council for approval. Gerry Battye will update the family.

Gerry Battye suggested PC contractors were asked to look at a tree by the old bus shelter on Harpers Estate.

### IN BRIEF

Damage to a section of Wiston Road occurred when a lorry became stuck in the ditch. James Finch said it needs to be built back up as well as road repair; the work is scheduled for the third week in January but this may be affected by other road closures in the vicinity.

The next meeting with allotment holders will be on 20th March in the Church Hall. Mary George requested that details of overdue rents were given to the working party.

The amount of litter accumulated by the Anchor Car Park, which is blowing over to Pop's Piece was raised; PC contractors will be asked to litterpick, the situation will be monitored and if it continues the landowner will be contacted.

Quotes from tree surgeons for pollarding trees in the burial ground will be sought, this will require a site meeting and liaising with the neighbour to view the trees from all sides.



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## COFFEE, CAKE & CONVERSATION



**Wednesday Coffee Mornings  
10am to noon**

Join with us for Coffee, Tea, Cakes and Conversation in an informal atmosphere with others from our local community. Everyone Welcome.  
Coffee mornings resumed on 18th January in the Church Hall following the festive break.  
It's expected they will then return to St James' Church in February, depending on progress with works taking place in the church.

### 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.


### NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMANSHIP & WORKING PARTIES

Chair: **Robin Thorogood** (until June)  
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**Laura Erith** (July-December)  
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Vice Chair: Dawn Harris

**WORKING PARTIES:**

Allotments: Mary George, Patricia Wilkie  
Bins: Mary George, Laura Erith, Patricia Wilkie  
Burial Ground: Mary George, Dawn Harris, Laura Erith  
Caley Green: Mary George, Dawn Harris, Ned Cartwright, Patricia Wilkie, Sally Dalton  
Fairfield: Gerry Battye, Robin Thorogood



## Thank You

I would like to say a very big thank you for all the cards that were sent to me and the offers of help when I was poorly.  
Thank you so much, they meant a great deal to me.  
*Yvonne Swane*

### NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

## ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

**Wednesday 22nd March**  
7.45pm in the Village Hall  
Further details will be on the Parish Council webpages

## 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](https://www.naylandandwiston.net/parish_council/info.php)

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**Friday 3rd February**

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## COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT

Meeting: 4th January 2023 Chair: Rachel Hitchcock 263169

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Rachel Hitchcock welcomed members to the meeting.

**Executive Committee:** Rachel Hitchcock advised that due to work commitments Kate Bevan would not be able to continue on the Executive Committee but is willing to help out with events and that Sophie Williams is moving away from the village. Both have been valuable members of the Exec and will be missed.

In view of this we would welcome people to consider joining the Exec. We meet just six times a year. It is an enjoyable friendly village committee and an ideal way for those new to the village to become involved and meet new friends. Contact Rachel on 07788 954309 or [rachel\\_hitchcock@hotmail.com](mailto:rachel_hitchcock@hotmail.com) if you would like to know more.

**Fundraising Activities/Events:** We have a good deal of activities being planned currently but as always future ideas and support are welcome.

**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; Dawn Harris agreed to share this task. Following a query by a resident advice was sought about the availability of the access code when calling 999; the Community Heartbeat Trust advised that they have weekly meetings with the ambulance services and reassured us that there are no issues with getting through to 999 (at which point the access code for the defibrillator is given if required) – the issues, as we have all seen, have been with vehicles being available. For various reasons they assured that this is the most effective and safe way of providing access to the code and they advised no change. Thank you to the resident for getting in touch as this is always helpful. The annual support costs for the defibrillator to Community Heartbeat Trust in September include insurance, time expired and post rescue replacement electrodes/batteries/rescue kits, annual compliance check on defibrillator and cabinet, loan defib if out of action for more than 3 days and rescue data downloading.

**River Stour Water Level Gauge:** There has been no update on progress.

**Nayland 10k Fun Run:** [nayland10k.co.uk](http://nayland10k.co.uk) The date will be Sunday 9 July. Luke Rumbelow has asked permission to hold the 2023 Nayland 10k at Littlegarth and is awaiting a response.

**Online Ticketing Facility:** [NaylandEvents.org](http://NaylandEvents.org) – This has been very useful, and busy in the lead up to Christmas. Justin was thanked for providing this facility. If you are interested in selling tickets using this system get in touch with Justin Dowding.

**Village Hall Gardening Morning:** The spring garden tidy session will be Saturday 1st April from 9am with refreshments. It is a sociable activity so please come along to help keep the gardens weeded and trimmed.

**Village Christmas Tree:** Claire Buller was thanked for organising this - the tree looked spectacular and received many compliments. The tree will be taken down on Sunday 8th January at 9.30am – help with this would be welcome.

**King Charles III's Coronation:** After some discussion regarding what activity residents may appreciate and the manpower available it was felt the best option would be a Bring Your Own Picnic on the Village Hall Playing Field either on Saturday 7th or Sunday 8th May. A decision on the date will be made as soon as possible. Currently there is no advice regarding national events to take a lead from. Suggestions for possible inclusion were screening of televised celebration, beer and Pimm's stall, Punch 'n' Judy. Offers of help with planning would be welcome.

**Queen Elizabeth II and King Charles III commemorative feature:** The Parish Council asked for this agenda item; they are asking for suggestions for a feature to commemorate the late Queen and the coronation of the new King. Previous ideas that have been mooted include a specimen tree and bench, village sign, water fountain, fruit trees, lights on the church.

The consensus at this meeting was for a specimen tree of stature, perhaps with a wrought iron surround and plaque, for the late Queen and a bench and plaque for the new King on Caley Green. It was suggested that planting should fit with the Coronation date and children and residents encouraged to attend. (As this is not recommended planting time it was suggested when planting the tree a wide hose for watering down at the root is inserted to enable effective watering during the dry season; this is a method used by green keepers).

As a separate project there was considerable support for a village sign; most neighbouring villages have one and they are nice features.

**Village Hall Roof Project:** *Grant funding & Fundraising events* Iain Wright gave details of fundraising events; a Beatles Night is organised for Saturday 4th March; on the evening of Saturday 24th June Midsummer Music, there will be a Vintage Afternoon Tea with music on 14th July, and on the first weekend of September a Fun, Food & Music event. A VHMC led planning committee will be needed for the latter event.

Regarding the roof project Iain said further grant monies have been pledged including £40,000 from the Parish Council. The fund thermometer has been updated; see page 33.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Matt Cable gave his report on finances to 4th January.

**Breakdown of profits:** Community Times £1,259.24, Village Quiz £392.46, Calendar £683.72, Nayland 10k £800, Bonfire Night £3,536.01, Christmas Fayre £272.47.

**Grants paid:** Nayland Choir £128, Village Hall replacement doors £10,000, Village Hall coffee machine £280. We received £270.36 as a return of grant funds provided to the Post Office Project.

**Expenses:** £2,479.63 for the Jubilee Party, £298 for defibrillator servicing and training, £393 for Christmas activities, £1,504.55 for central costs including insurance for the year.

**Current Position:** The accounts show reserves of £26,017.50 represented by Deposit a/c monies £10,748.40, Current a/c monies £13,951.97, Paypal a/c £52.20, Cash in Hand £1,264.93. We hold £268.50 for the RBL Services Fund and grants are pending for: VH roof £10,000.00, VH coffee machine £280 and Lizzie's Fund £153. Other accrued expenses total £366.19 and there is £25 of accrued income. **Therefore, unencumbered assets are £14,974.81.**

### GRANTS & DONATIONS:

**Nayland Bear Christmas Display:** it was agreed to make a contribution of £100 towards batteries to power lights during recent and further displays in 2023. Nayland Bear has become a much loved village character. His continued appearances on various seasonal occasions - Christmas, New Year, Valentines, Easter, royal celebrations, Halloween, etc – are very much enjoyed by residents of all ages. Many thanks to Elaine Muskett and Di Green.

**99 Bear Street Christmas Lights:** It was agreed to make a contribution of £100 towards electricity to power lights for this very popular seasonal spectacle. The Caley Green entrance to the village looked fabulous once again; many thanks to John Spooner for his wonderful display.

**Nayland Village Hall:** a request has been made by the VHMC for a contribution towards framing of photographic enlargements of historic community events. The enlargements ranging in size between A0 and A2 have been printed; the framing cost has been given as £1,700. The possibility of donating the profit of the Quiz raffle was suggested. This request will be further considered via email among the Exec and on the Agenda for next meeting.

### Recent CC Activities:

**Sale of Firework Night Tickets: 31st October.** This worked well alongside Nayland Bear's display at the Harpers Estate old bus shelter. Lots of children and their parents visited.



Community Council report continued.....

**Bonfire & Fireworks: 5th November.** Rachel Hitchcock said this went really well; the CC should be proud of themselves! The professional display company, Firework Crazy, were excellent. The CC made £3,500 which was especially good as the event fell on a Saturday with greater costs and more competition. A huge thank you to everyone who helped.

Going forward it was agreed that the start of the display should be 7pm or within a few minutes and promotion should indicate 'Display at 7pm prompt'. We should make more of the Guy and lighting of the bonfire; we will give further consideration to a procession of the Guy.

**Christmas Fayre: 3rd December.** Rachel said it was good that the Fayre was back; it went very well and was much enjoyed by visitors and those participating. Next year further consideration will be given to including outside stallholders and potential seasonal activities.

**Christmas Trail: Advent Windows, Christmas Tree Trail & Wreath Competition.** This was fantastic and received many positive comments. Many other properties were adorning festive delights including the deer and new lights opposite Caley Green and this year around Nags Corner. An online photo album is being assembled. Thank you to everyone who participated.

**Father Christmas: 24th December,** tour of Nayland in Foster Jones' vintage car. He gave out about 75 bags of chocolate coins. There were many comments of how lovely this was and how much it was enjoyed... by all ages! Thank you to Foster and Jan Jones and to Father Christmas and his elf.

**Community Times & Websites:** Lorraine Brooks thanked all for contributing to recent issues. Printing costs increased in 2022 but there was a slight increase in advertising during the year.

**Village Calendar:** Calendars are still on sale at the Post Office, Forget Me Not, and 17 Court Street. It was agreed that a 2024 calendar should be produced. Lorraine and Wendy are willing to continue producing the calendar. The usual date for the calendar competition display is now taken by the Church Fete; the possibility of holding it within the Coronation event was suggested.

#### FORTHCOMING COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

**Fun Village Quiz: Friday 3rd February.** This is a fun evening with friendly competition and banter. Tables can be booked at Forget Me Not or via [naylandevents.org](http://naylandevents.org). Donations of raffle prizes are welcome and can be dropped to Claire Buller at 107 Bear Street.

**AGM: Wednesday 1st March** with VHMC AGM on the same evening. The CC met at 7.30 (Exec 7pm). Please come along and support us and stay for the VHMC AGM at 8.15pm.

#### SOCIETY REPORTS

**HortSoc:** Trevor Smy said on Tuesday 14th March the spring speaker will be Roger Hanse (a professional photographer) on 'Landscapes throughout the British Isles'; on Saturday 25th March the Spring Flower Show; on Tuesday 18th April the AGM and Fun Quiz and on Saturday 13th May the Morning Market. They will be introducing a 'Tallest Sunflower Competition' to the Summer Flower Show; this will involve giving out seeds this spring for residents of all ages to participate

**Friends of Caley Green:** Sally Dalton reported dedicated canoeists and paddle-boarders have continued to use the Green. It has been good to see more ducks again and there are currently two pairs of swans – one on the river, the other on the Meadow pond.

**First Responders:** Tracy Le Grys reported that they have 4 fully trained responders and another awaiting training which is really positive.

**Art Group:** Kathryn Niven reported that they continue to meet regularly and have tackled some more watercolor challenges. Before the holidays, we all contributed to a group Christmas card for one of our members who has moved away from the area with each of us representing one of the twelve days of Christmas. These were painted, drawn, collaged and even embroidered so it was a very creative task that we all enjoyed. We had a very enjoyable Christmas meal at the Crown in December.

**Nayland Choir:** Justin Dowding said it had been freezing in the church for their concert 'Tis the Season' with Christmas music but Rachel added that the music was beautiful. Justin

said their next concert would be on 26th March in St James' Church. Rehearsals will be held on Thursday evenings starting at 8pm.

**Village Players:** Justin Dowding said the pantomime, Andrew Walker's 'The Oz Factor', was quite something and was a sell-out. Their next production of 'Snake in the Grass' has been cast and performances will be on 23rd-26th March.

**Parish Council:** Dawn Harris said the PC have approved an additional funding pledge for the village hall roof project of up to 40k from capital reserves; they are working towards installing additional play equipment (a sunken trampoline and basket swing) and refurbishment of the Fairfield Play Park; renovations to war memorial, milestone and horse-trough including reinstatement of the original plaque are complete; SCC have advised they have no funding to create safer bus stops on A134. The PC welcome suggestions for a Coronation and Queen's memorial.

**Land Company (Nayland Meadow):** David Slater said that hedges will be trimmed soon and the coppiced hedge will be managed. They hope to gain funding to improve the accessibility of the footpath (yet to be fully confirmed). This would allow a relatively small section at the base of the steps to be improved; this would be a start and hopefully more can be done in future.

**Royal British Legion:** Robert Dossor reported that the branch had a fascinating visit to Fairfield's Crisps on 30th November, and has its next meeting on Monday 16th January to hear Terry Bannister recall the adventures of her father during WW2. On Monday 13th March Commander Mark Leaning RN will describe his adventures in the Falklands Islands. New members always welcome and we are still looking for a Secretary!

**Conservation Society:** Mike Hunter reported that in November Professor Jules Pretty gave a fascinating talk based on his new book entitled 'Sea Sagas of the North'. They have a full programme of speakers arranged for 2023; in March will feature talented resident Mark Wilkinson who will talk on the topic of postage stamp design.

Planning permission has been submitted for a new residential development on the western side of Harpers Hill; It is of considerable concern; they have lodged an objection. The Society is concerned by the failure of Babergh to take notice of local objections; they are discussing the position with the Parish Council with a view to making joint representations to Babergh.

The scanning of the Rev. Jones book 'Ten Church Pieces for the Organ' has now been completed and it will soon be available to view on our website.

Foster and Jan Jones of Fen Street have another book written by Jones entitled 'Letters from a tutor to his pupils' published in 1822. There are 26 'letters' on subjects ranging from 'Good Manners' to 'the use of mathematical learning'. This will also be prepared to view on our website and it is hoped both books will be housed in a display case located in St James' Church.

**NEXT MEETING:** the AGM on **Wednesday 1st March 2023** at 7.30pm (Exec 7pm) in the Village Hall. The VHMC AGM will follow our meeting at 8.15pm.

## NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### RAFFLE AT THE VILLAGE QUIZ

Donations of prizes for the Community Council's raffle at the **Fun Village Quiz** - on **Friday 3rd February** - would be very much appreciated.

They can be left at 107 Bear Street or brought along on the evening.

## VILLAGE CHRISTMAS TREE

On Sunday 4th December the tree was once again mounted into its underground fixings. This year it was again a truly magnificent tree. Based on last years' experience we made sure we had enough manpower to lift the tree into its holder. No easy feat.

The Tree received many wonderful comments this year with its many lights and decorations making it a sight to see. Many said "It was one of the best years ever". A big thank you to the Community Council for funding the lights and baubles which helped brighten everyone's Christmas again this year.

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

Thanks to our dental surgery for servicing the tree with its electricity and allowing the tree to be positioned outside their premises, Fred Smith of Straight Road, Boxted for delivering and supplying the tree at a competitive rate, Sean Norfolk with his chain saw who expertly shaped the tree stump to fit its holder and Iain Wright for lying in the gutter to secure the fixing bolts. Photograph shows Wayne Buller aiding with the lifting of the tree.

**Claire Buller, Community Council**



## NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON CALENDAR & PHOTO COMPETITION

For anyone who still wishes to purchase a 2023 calendar there are a few more copies available at the Post Office, Forget Me Not, 17 Court Street or to order online at <http://www.naylandandwiston.net/>

### Calendar Photographic Competition

**Do keep taking photographs for this popular competition.**

The competition will be held again; further details in the next issue of the Community Times. We anticipate the competition will be held in late April so do get out and capture some scenes.

Photographs reflecting any of the 12 months of the year taken in recent years which represent our beautiful parish and our thriving community will be welcome; these may include scenic views, architectural and natural features, street scenes, community activities, and any seasonal or unusual aspects of the parish. As usual the competition will be open to residents of the Nayland with Wissington parish, and those who work in the parish or are active participants in parish societies/organisations.





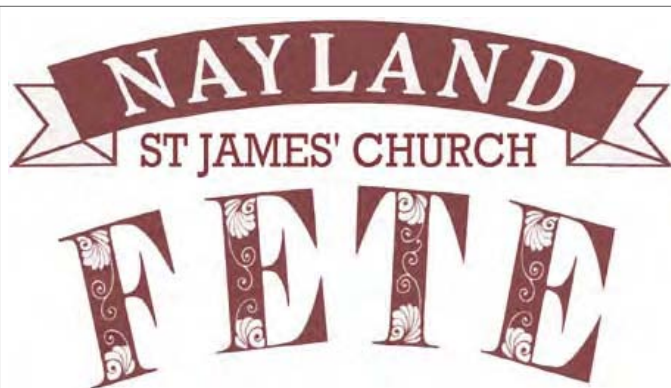
## CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Nayland with Wissington Community Council celebrated the start of the festive season with a successful Christmas Fayre on 3rd December.

It had all the ingredients of a jolly festive occasion; the village hall was gaily decorated with bunting and several local societies ran a variety of stalls. Father Christmas was in attendance, Nayland Primary School choir provided musical entertainment and festive food and refreshments were available.

Council chairman Rachel Hitchcock said: *"Once again the Christmas Fayre was a lovely community start to the festive season. Thanks to all the societies who ran stalls - and to the Year 5 ukes and singers from Nayland Primary School who entertained us beautifully and got everyone singing along. Thanks too to Father Christmas who had lots of visitors on the day and to all of you who came along."*

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



### Monday 1st May 2023

1pm-4pm

We can't wait to see you. Nayland Fete is always brilliantly supported by the local and wider community, who enjoy the music, stalls, vintage cars, sideshows and refreshments at our very friendly traditional Fete.

The stalls are a great attraction, so please start putting aside unwanted and resalable china and glass, bric a brac, anything for the home, vintage items, toys, pictures, bags,

jewellery, garden tools and good quality ladies clothes (but I am afraid no books or electrical items this year).

Donations will be gratefully received from 1st March, but please note that the drop off points have changed.

Please take vintage items to Forget me Not

Everything else to be left in the changing rooms at Nayland Village Hall. The door to the changing rooms is accessed via the path to the right of the hall and will be open between 10am and 4pm, Monday to Saturday.

We will also be grateful for donations for the bottle tombola and homemade cake stalls nearer the time.

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

The Fete really has gone from strength to strength and is a wonderful example of a community working together. It welcomes large numbers of people who enjoy everything that this well-established event has to offer.

We are looking forward to another day of fun and laughter on Monday 1st May.

Please contact the Committee via:

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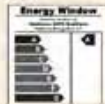


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## CHRISTMAS TRAIL

The Christmas Trail may have begun during the Covid-19 pandemic to get together safely as a community and bring a little seasonal cheer to the streets of Nayland and Wiston but it has become a popular highlight of the festive season. For a third year residents excelled with an abundance of festive delights displayed around the village. There were 24 beautifully decorated windows, festive Christmas trees and unique wreaths included on the trail map.

Windows around the village were decorated and from 1st to 24th December a new one was opened each day. Christmas trees and wreaths were displayed from 9th December; for a little extra interest there was a question associated with each tree - see the answers below - and wreaths had all been decorated by the participants.

**Congratulations to the winners of the wreath competitions:** adult, Karen Freeman, Court Street and under 16, Maria & Vasyliya Papusha, Bear Street.

### AND THERE WAS MORE...

Community spirit didn't end there; many residents contributed further with some wonderful festive decorations, bringing much joy and amusement to the village.

View photographs of all these wonderful festive displays at: <http://naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk/News.html>

**Thank you so much to all who participated in the Christmas Trail and made this Christmas special.**



*A new herd of deer took up residence in Wiston Road*

## CHRISTMAS TREE TRAIL ANSWERS

- **5 Court Street:** What is the Father Christmas bauble made from? *Shell*
- **Village Tree High Street :** How many extra large baubles are on the tree? *There are 58 15cm balls on the tree*
- **St James' Church:** The late Queen left her Christmas tree up until 6 February. Why? *The date marks the anniversary of her father's death*
- **Mill Stores, Mill Street:** Who invented electric lights for the Christmas tree? *Edward Johnson in the US in 1882*
- **3 Mill Street:** Which children's film character can you see hiding in our tree? *Branch from The Trolls*
- **16 Birch Street:** How many festive birds can you see in the tree and what are two of them carrying in their beaks? *Four, two with Mistletoe in their beaks*
- **18 Birch Street:** What's on top of the tree? *A present*
- **33 Bear Street:** What's on top of this tree? *A golden jingle bell*
- **38 Bear Street:** The 16th-century monk Martin Luther used what to add lights to his Christmas tree? *Candles*
- **82 Bear Street:** Which bird, which is especially associated with Christmas, can you see? *Two Robins*
- **St Mary's Wiston:** Why do Christmas trees traditionally have a star on top? *To guide the Wise Men where to find the baby Jesus*





**Looking for a way to celebrate the Coronation with friends and neighbours?**

**Maybe a picnic on the playing field so the village can come and gather?**

**The Village Hall has been reserved for Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> or Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May in anticipation of such an occasion.**

**It just needs a few willing volunteers to coordinate.**

Please contact the editor if you are able to help.

*lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com or 262807*

*Nayland & District Horticultural Society*

## Tallest Sunflower & Hollyhock Competitions

**TALLEST SUNFLOWER COMPETITION**

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**Seeds** can be obtained at an earlier date from Trevor.

**Be on the lookout for the TALLEST HOLLYHOCK**

We will be looking for the tallest hollyhock, of any variety, grown within the parish of Nayland with Wissington.

*For both competitions, you will need to submit a photo of your sunflower or hollyhock with the measurements. Photos will be displayed and the winners announced at the Flower Show on Saturday 5th August. Further details in the next Community Times, in the Summer Flower Show Schedule or our website.*

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**VILLAGE PLAYERS**

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# Snake in the Grass

Thursday 23rd March at 6.30pm  
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This amateur production of 'Snake in the Grass' is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd on behalf of Samuel French Ltd [www.concordtheatricals.co.uk](http://www.concordtheatricals.co.uk)





# The Village Lunch

Wednesday 12th April

11.45am for 12 noon talk, lunch at 1pm  
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**Tuesday 14th March**

7pm for 7.30pm

Church Hall, Bear Street

All welcome

## 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 quiz  
with horticulture in mind.

For those interested in becoming a  
member, membership is available  
for £3 or £5 for joint.

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Nayland-with-Wissington Conservation Society  
Registered Charity No. 268104

# AGM

ILLUSTRATOR  
**MARK WILKINSON**  
WILL BE TALKING ABOUT HIS  
POSTAGE STAMP DESIGNS






**MONDAY 6TH MARCH**  
7:15 FOR 7:30  
**NAYLAND VILLAGE HALL**  
ALL ARE MOST WELCOME

[www.naylandconservation.org.uk](http://www.naylandconservation.org.uk)

The Friends of St James Church, Nayland  
PROUDLY PRESENT A

# SEA SHANTY EVENING



THE HOOLIES will be blowing up a storm at Nayland with a lively performance of shanties and salty sea songs. Audience participation encouraged. Woolly Jumpers recommended.

**ST. JAMES' CHURCH NAYLAND**  
**18:30 Friday 17th February**

Advance tickets: [www.naylandevents.org](http://www.naylandevents.org) Tickets £10 - Children £5  
Mulled wine provided. Profits towards Church Restoration Fund.

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## SPRING HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB

on Tuesday 14th  
& Thursday 16th February

9am - 3pm £25 full day  
Aged 2 - 11 years

Two year olds must be already attending  
Pre-School at Woodland Corner

In the grounds of Nayland Primary School,  
Bear Street, Nayland, Colchester CO6 4HY

For further information, contact Woodland Corner  
tel: 01206 263054 e-mail: [woodlandcorner@outlook.com](mailto:woodlandcorner@outlook.com)  
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## FAMILY BINGO

**Saturday 11th March**  
4pm - 7pm

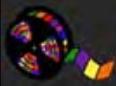
**Nayland Village Hall**  
Young children welcome!

Bingo books for sale at Woodland Corner  
or on the night (if spaces)

Woodland Corner provides morning and afternoon pre-school sessions and lunch club as well as extended schools services before and after school for children aged 2-11.

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**NAYLAND VILLAGE HALL CINEMA** Starts 7.30pm Doors open 6.30pm



**Friday 10th February**

**Friday 17th March**

Bar selling a variety of beverages. Pizza available before the film and in the interval.

Ice creams and other refreshments also available.

Tickets £5, under 16 £2, on the door or from [naylandevents.org](http://naylandevents.org) - further details on page 29

# NAYLAND COMMUNITY LITTERPICK

**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](mailto:mary@naylandwithwissington.suffolk.gov.uk)  
or 01206 262712 for more information



**Friday 21st April**



## 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](mailto: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

While some are complaining about the wet weather hopefully it is going some way to making up for the long conditions during summer of '22.

River levels are back to a seasonal norm and Nayland's flood channel has been flowing when needed. If there is too much water at once and the river flows too fast with silt and debris then water cannot be abstracted to Abberton Reservoir to restore levels there.

## REED CONTROL AT THE WEIR

As mentioned last issue, despite the assurances to a local resident, and indications published on the internet that some reed management would take place at Nayland Weir in 2022 this did not happen.

Recent photographs of the river and those taken near the weir show that despite it being winter when much reed growth dies down the amount of reed vegetation has escalated, trapping sediment and extending the reed bed further.

## WILDFOWL & SWANS

There are currently two pairs of swans in Nayland; one pair on the Meadow pond and the other on the river. Recently they have been stalking each other and sizing each other



*Mandy Cook's photo reveals the mess of uncontrolled reeds on the bend above the weir. In a couple of months, now they are firmly established, new growth with romp away at a rate of knots.*

up - hopefully any territorial disputes will be minimal.

As mentioned last issue the cygnets have departed; the river seems bare without them. On the other hand there have been a number of ducks at Caley Green, more than we have seen for some time. It's hoped they continue to stay clear of Avian Flu.

Hopefully the swans and ducks will be mating again very soon and the whole cycle will begin again.

# FATHER CHRISTMAS COMES TO NAYLAND

Once again, Father Christmas and his Elf visited Nayland on Christmas Eve for a tour of the village in Foster Jones' wonderful open-top vintage car, a 1927 Humber.

They were greeted on their travels by many excited children, parents and 'big kids' out to see the visit by this special man.

Over 75 bags of chocolate coins were handed out to delighted children.

The photographs show residents greeting the tour when it arrived in the High Street. It then went via Court Street to Caley Green and then down Bear Street to Stoke Road and then to Fen Street.



## CHRISTMAS THANKS

The Community Council have been delighted to receive many comments of gratitude for encouraging Christmas spirit and bringing some joy to the village during difficult times.

But they cannot achieve this without your support. They are very grateful to so many in the village for their eager and generous participation to make this Christmas special.

More members of the CC would be welcome, if you are interested contact Rachel Hitchcock to find out more 01206 263169 or 07788 954309 or [rachel\\_hitchcock@hotmail.com](mailto:rachel_hitchcock@hotmail.com)







## CALEY GREEN

During the winter season the Green has been quieter but still much enjoyed by residents and some dedicated river users. The wildfowl are present despite concerns about the outbreak of Avian Flu. The Friends continue to keep an eye on the Green and the wildfowl.

## THE LONG REED BED

It was very disappointing that although SCC's Properties Officer said that some of the tall Norfolk reeds would be cut during 2022 and a future management plan put in place nothing has been done to date. Residents are particularly frustrated as a community solution could have been considered; the autumn window of opportunity has been lost.

However, the SCC Officer has recently apologised for the delay and said this will be moved forward.

## LASTING MEMORIAL ON THE GREEN

Suggestions have been conveyed to the Parish Council for siting a specimen tree of stature, possibly an Oak, to

commemorate the late Queen and a bench and plaque for the new King on Caley Green. The SCC Officer has indicated this should not be a problem; saying it would be a lovely idea.

## RIVERBANK PROTECTION UPDATE

As reported last issue four specialist contractors visited the site and gave their advice on the best solution to the prevent further erosion. The information was collated and discussed by the working party. The consensus of advice was to install replacement wooden revetment round the whole of the bay area. The SCC Properties Officer has been asked to attend a site meeting to discuss the proposal and funding for the work. This is necessary as SCC own Caley Green. There has been no official response but he has recently been reminded.

## THE CULVERT

Again, there is no progress on this. Silt and vegetation continues to accumulate in the mouth of the culvert. SCC were asked to clear the debris; this has not been attended to yet.

## ST JAMES' CHURCHYARD WORKING PARTY

**Saturday 11 March**  
from 9am – 12 noon



All welcome, no skill necessary.  
Tea, coffee and biscuits provided.

**PLEASE BRING GLOVES, RAKES,  
SECATEURS, WHEELBARROWS, ETC**

For further details contact  
**James Carver: 262970**

## VILLAGE HALL GARDEN WORKING PARTY

**Saturday 1 April**  
from 9am



Please come along and join us  
and make it a social occasion.  
Refreshments will be provided.

**IT WILL BE USEFUL TO BRING  
TOOLS, GLOVES, SECATEURS,  
WHEELBARROWS, ETC.**



## SEE IT, SNAP IT, SEND IT

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

Thank you to James Carver for this photograph (right). The Revd Stéphane Javelle, led the Carol singing beside the Christmas tree in the Nayland High Street in near perfect weather conditions accompanied by The Boxted Methodist Silver Band. Many of the carols were chosen by the children and a wonderful evening was had by all on the shortest day of the year.

We have just had a few more days of freezing temperatures but thank you to Jane Akers for capturing this photograph of the Stour which was frozen above the sluice gates during the very cold snap during the second week of December.



## YOUR LETTERS...

### NAYLAND SURGERY :

We all sit in our homes at times and we reminisce about the past. Perhaps we hanker for those "good old days" when life was so much more simple. Perhaps there was a day in the past when you were not feeling so good and you thought that you really should see the local doctor or nurse - all the villagers knew them then by their name of course - and they were nearly always to be found at their workplace at their Surgery in Bear Street. And very comforting it was to know. So you'd ring the surgery on 262202 (or call-in) and the receptionist would make you an appointment - normally for the same day - and all done within a minute or so. How we took it all for granted then !!!

Until the day came when we all had to call the Creffield Road Surgery on 01206 570371 .....

They say we should embrace change and I think most of us do - but you also naturally compare these changes to what you had previously. This particular change is not an improvement. Hanging on a phone for well over an hour is not acceptable. To be told that there are no appointments available and to ring back the following day at 9am is not a service. To be told you are number 82 in the queue and then cut-off when you get to number 26 is not ok. Nor is it acceptable to hang on for over an hour and then be cut off without speaking to anyone. This

is not progress nor is it a change for the better.

When this new phone system was first introduced we were promised it would certainly improve things. I have to say that it is far worse and most of us dread having to ring the surgery at all. Frankly, it is not working and needs to be changed.

When we go into the surgery to collect a prescription the waiting room is often empty !! It should be heaving with patients but it is not. Very strange particularly after being told that no appointments are available that day. There is something wrong here and this new phone system is certainly not working well for such an aged population in Nayland. Lots of us are working very hard but we don't always want to be told by a recorded message that the NHS is working very hard despite illness and shortages - and NO I haven't been to Wuhan recently !! Isn't it about time some of these recorded messages were changed.

We are a small village community that used to have a very good local doctors surgery. With a front of house receptionist who could take phone calls and make appointments. Never were people expected to wait in a queue for such a long time when they were in a short walking distance of their surgery or were feeling stressed or poorly anyway.

This is a plea for the Nayland surgery to go back to the good old days where the surgery was an integral part of the community - surely that would be a vast improvement on what we have now.

**Bear Street Resident**



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



The village looked wonderful and festive over Christmas with all the lights and decorations. Thank you to everyone who helped bring cheer to the streets for us all to enjoy. Thank you to Claire Buller, Elaine Muskett and Daniel Collins for taking photos of a gaily decorated house in Bear Street, Bear & Fish's Christmas Grotto, the Post Office window display. And thanks to Matt Cable for capturing volunteers towing the village Christmas tree away. Thanks to the Community Council and volunteers for providing and erecting the tree - they seem to be more spectacular every year!



Led by the Vicar of our Benefice, The Revd Stéphane Javelle, sixteen of us attended a Reflective Pilgrimage to St Edmundsbury Cathedral on the second Advent Sunday, December 4th. We met at the font, shown above, and were introduced to our guide who showed us round the Cathedral, giving a short history of the Abbey site and the present building, including recent additions such as the tower, cloisters, and as a special privilege, the Treasury.

We then attended evensong led by the Dean and enjoyed the singing of the recently reformed (after Covid) girls' choir, before being invited to tea provided by the Friends of St Edmundsbury Cathedral. The Dean welcomed us and reminded us that we were visiting OUR cathedral. He also congratulated us on having four Community Pantries in our Benefice, a fine example of how the Church is helping the community in these difficult times. A memorable day for us lucky ones.

**James Carver**

### 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.



# Nayland with Wiggington Society News



## NAYLAND AND DISTRICT ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Chairman: Robert Dossor 265912 robert@ovcottage.com

The Branch had a fascinating visit to Fairfield's Crisps on 30th November, thanks to Robert and Laura Strathearn and has its next meeting in the Church Hall on Monday 16th January (just as this Newsletter goes to press) to hear Terry Bannister recall the adventures of her father - Josef from Lviv - during WW2. Having had a preview of the material this should be fascinating.

Our March meeting in the Church Hall will be on Monday 13th March to hear Commander Mark Leaning RN describe his adventures in the Falklands Islands, courtesy of Mike Callaghan.

We expect to propose a visit to Suffolk County Council's Incinerator Plant at Sroughton during the Summer and have another Falkland Islands veteran from the Royal Navy speaker lined up for our May meeting – Monday 22nd May.

New members always welcome and it would appear we now have a Secretary – watch this space!

**Robert Dossor**

### Nayland - represented before the King at the Royal Albert Hall

Each year certain Branches of the Royal British Legion are invited to attend the annual Festival of Remembrance at The Royal Albert Hall. Last year Suffolk County asked the Nayland Branch (which was founded 100 years ago) if their Standard could be represented and Kathy Hunt, Standard Bearer, attended. Not surprisingly there is an awful lot of paperwork involved (well, emails actually - same thing). There was a rehearsal on Friday before the event and rehearsals on the day itself which involved getting to London by 7am. Leaving Nayland by 4am and driving to the big city was an experience. If you think traffic is bad in Stoke Road you should try getting round Hyde Park Corner on a Saturday morning !! But we managed and the Festival was a great success - with a 'local' Nayland boy (no names please) being on telly more than the King !

This year's festival highlighted very much the role of people providing service to their communities and did emphasise perhaps the fact that the Royal British Legion is not just for ex military people. It certainly was a day to remember and to be proud of - shame we didn't get a photograph !

For more information on the local RBL please contact the local Branch Chairman or Secretary.

**Chris Hunt**



## NAYLAND AND DISTRICT WOMENS INSTITUTE

President: Jeannette Finch 262993

Secretary: Lorna Rumsey 01787 211975

At our January meeting we had a very interesting talk by Chris Hunt on 'Exploring Our Local Footpaths'; he is always a very amusing speaker.

At our meeting on 9th February Justin Dowding will be talking about 'Living in Japan for Sixteen years'. In March our branch of the WI will celebrate its birthday; we will be out for lunch or tea as a celebration. On 13th April James Finch will be talking about 'My Working Life Over 50 Years'.

The new programme for 2023/2024 is now at the planning stage, so watch the WI notice-board in the village centre for news of future events and speakers.

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.



## ST JAMES' CHURCH NAYLAND

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

Regular services continue at St James. Christmas was celebrated with the service of carols and readings and there was a Christingle Service and Midnight Mass.

Work on the rearrangement of some pews and new flooring is progressing well. This will increase the circulation area which will allow the new server area to be more fully used. The regular Wednesday coffee mornings have started initially in the Church Hall, Bear Street but hopefully will move back to the church in February.

The community pantry is well used and is now extended to all churches in the benefice. The Nayland Community Pantry is located in the West porch of St James'.

There are events planned for the church during the year starting with something completely different !! An evening of Sea Shanties in February. We are very grateful to the Friends who 'spearhead' many efforts to raise funds for the upkeep of our church building.

Finally, again please clear up after your dog and do take it to a dog bin and not leave packages beside the wheelie bins! Stay Safe.





## THE FRIENDS OF CALEY GREEN

Sally Dalton johnansal@live.co.uk 262675

Happy 2023 to all.

The green has welcomed back our dedicated canoeists, despite the chilly weather they continue to enjoy their sport.

The swans and ducks appear to be staying healthy with no obvious signs of bird flu. We now have about fifteen ducks, so perhaps we can look forward to ducklings this year. Swan wars recently started with the pair on the meadow venturing onto the river, they were swiftly chased away by the river pair. They have now retreated back to the meadow pond, where the river swans have taken to stalking them by patrolling the footpath adjacent to the pond. Hopefully both pairs will mate shortly and we can look forward to some nest building.



We reported the damage to the green by a SCC highways vehicle recently and it was repaired. Thanks go to County Councillor Finch for the quick resolution.



## 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 another awaiting training which is really positive.

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](mailto:tracyb295@googlemail.com) or view <http://www.eastamb.nhs.uk/join-the-team/community-first-responders>



## TABLE TENNIS CLUB

Jane Barbrook 263619 janebarbrook@hotmail.com  
Tony Mann 262492 ad.mann@homecall.co.uk

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.



## FRIENDS OF WISTON CHURCH

Registered Charity No 1158565

Email: [wistonfriends@gmail.com](mailto: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!





## OVER 60s CLUB

Secretary: Barbara Smith 501492

President: Eva Rolfe 263151

Diana Whiting 262023

### The Over 60s Needs YOU

The Over 60s would like to resume meeting but our numbers have dwindled and we have got older! We really need new members and helpers to make it possible for the Club to continue. New blood would also bring new ideas for the Club. We usually meet on the second Thursday of each month in the afternoon.

If you would be interested in joining us, would be able to help in any way or have any queries please telephone Diana Whiting on 262023.

In the meantime we wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year.



## THE VILLAGE LUNCH

Gale Scott 262061

Terry Bannister 262454

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.



## VILLAGE PLAYERS

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



Chair: Mark Russell 07572 031769 [markfrankrussell@gmail.com](mailto:markfrankrussell@gmail.com)

A big thank you to everyone who watched our panto – 'The Oz Factor'. There were only a handful of tickets left for Thursday, and all the other performances were sell-outs! We did have some competition from a certain football match on Saturday evening, but that didn't stop the fun. The audience loved it and the feedback has been tremendous.

From the ridiculous to the sublime, from a cast of 27 our next production features just three actors. Chrissie Kettle returns to direct Alan Ayckbourn's 'Snake in the Grass' with an all-female line-up. Performances will be 23rd March at 6:30 pm and 25th & 25th March at 8pm. Tickets are £10 for adults, £6 for under 16s. Tickets are available online and will also be available at the Post Office later in February.

We're always on the lookout for new members who would like to become involved in future productions - on stage or set-building or in any other way behind the scenes. Please do get in touch, maybe meet us at The Anchor for our bi-monthly drink. Thursday 2nd March 8pm is our next one.

For more information on the Village Players, including photographs of previous productions, head to [villageplayers.co.uk](http://villageplayers.co.uk)







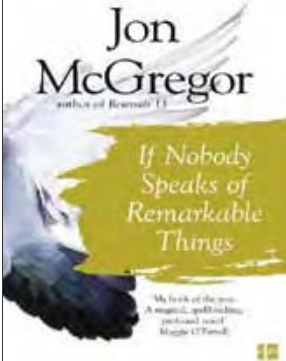
## NAYLAND ART GROUP

Kathryn Niven 07867 878443 [nivenkathryn@gmail.com](mailto:nivenkathryn@gmail.com)

At the end of last year, we had a lot of fun working on a collaborative project, making a Christmas card for one of our senior members who had moved away. We all had one of the Twelve Days of Christmas to depict and we had a wide variety of media including not only watercolour paintings but collage, calligraphy and even embroidery. That done, we had a very enjoyable Christmas lunch at The Crown.

We are now back to our more usual drawing and painting, sometimes working with our tutors and sometimes on our own projects.

We meet on Wednesday afternoons and are a very informal, cheerful and encouraging group who cover a wide range of skill and experience so anyone is welcome to join us from beginner level up. We pay £20 per half term but taster sessions are free so, if you are interested, please call or email.



## BOOK CLUB

Jane Barbrook 263619 [janebarbrook@hotmail.com](mailto:janebarbrook@hotmail.com)

In our last book 'A walk in the Woods', Bill Bryson narrates his experiences hiking parts of the Appalachian Trail which stretches 2000 + miles from Georgia to Maine. Bryson recruits an old friend, Katz, to hike the trail with him. Katz, was an overweight, recovering alcoholic with a fondness for snack food and cream soda. They spend several weeks on the trail, hiking 500 miles in their first section. This book includes lots of background history, humour and detail about the areas they were walking through.

Our next book is 'If Nobody Speaks of Remarkable Things' by Jon McGregor.



## NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Chairman: Mike Hunter 264100  
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[www.naylandconservation.org.uk](http://www.naylandconservation.org.uk)



In the last edition of the Community Times I mentioned the book by the Reverend William Jones acquired by the Society and its contents will shortly be available to view on the Society's website and in due course the original volume will be displayed in St. James Church. The publicity arising from the book's acquisition resulted in an approach from Society members Foster and Jan Jones. Foster advised me he was in possession of another book written by Jones entitled "Letters from a tutor to his pupils" published in 1822. There are 26 "letters" on subjects ranging from "Good Manners" to "The use of mathematical learning". Foster and Jan have very kindly donated the book to the Society and we are arranging for this book to be scanned with the intention of adding it to our website to permit general access. The original book will also be placed in the same display case in St. James. Our thanks to Foster and Jan for their kind donation.

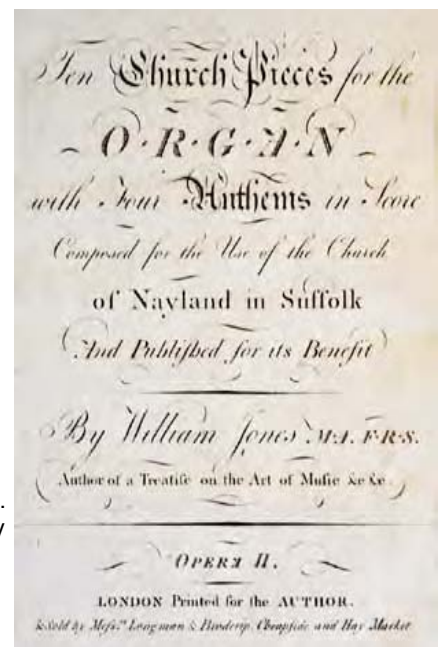
The appearance of the residential development known as Paddock Grove on the western side of the A134 has not met with universal acclaim (the Society filed a strong objection to the original application which was ignored by Babergh District Council) and it is with some concern that a new application has been lodged for 5 dwellings on a site immediately to the south of Paddock Grove. Another lengthy objection to this new site has been lodged by the Society which can be viewed either on Babergh's planning web site or on the Society's web site at <http://naylandconservation.org.uk/PlanningApps.html>.

The committee of the Society has been so concerned with the apparent disregard by Babergh District Council on so many planning applications and enforcement issues that a written representation is being made outlining our concerns and requesting a meeting with the Chief Planning Officer and Chair of the Planning Committee. The Parish Council may join us in making this representation although at the time of writing this report their final decision has not yet been reached.

Speed testing for the 20 mph zone is due to start on 26<sup>th</sup> January. You may recall that for the village to be considered as a suitable location for such a zone the existing average speed of traffic must be 24 mph or lower. Those readers who are supportive of this scheme will no doubt bear this in mind when they observe the speed sensors as they drive through the village!

The Society's first speaker meeting of the year will take place at our AGM in Nayland Village Hall on 7<sup>th</sup> of March when talented local resident Mark Wilkinson will talk to us on Stamp Design. Mark is famous for his LP covers for bands such as Iron Maiden, Fish, Marillion and Bon Jovi but on this occasion, he will concentrate on his stamp design work.

Finally, news of progress relating to the Court Knoll Project has been thin on the ground since the pandemic started but I am pleased to advise you of a recent important development. You may recall that a number of high-status ceramic tiles were recovered from the excavations. These were to be analysed against similar tiles which had been found at Bury St. Edmunds. Unfortunately, the Bury tiles had been mislaid and the analysis was delayed. However, they have now been found and it is hoped that once the results of the analysis are to hand we can progress to the final report.







## NAYLAND AND DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Chair: Trevor Smy 262022 [trevor.smy24@gmail.com](mailto:trevor.smy24@gmail.com) [www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk](http://www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk)

### A happy horticultural New Year to you all.

HortSoc would like to thank everyone for their support of our stall at the Christmas Fayre, whether donating items, manning the stall or purchasing items. This helped us raise funds for society activities.

Our first event for 2023 is on Tuesday **14<sup>th</sup> March** when our **Spring Speaker**, Roger Hance will be giving a talk on "Landscapes and Seascapes throughout the British Isles". All are welcome, 7.30 for 7.45pm at the Church Hall, Bear Street.

Our annual **Spring Flower Show** which will be held on **Saturday 25th March** in the Church Hall promises to be a colourful occasion so come along and enjoy the displays of spring flowers and relax with refreshments. Cakes will be on sale & raffle. It is open for visitors 10am to 12 noon, entry is free. We would be very grateful for donations of cakes, or prizes for the raffle – please drop them into 60 Bear Street beforehand, or at the Church Hall early on the day of the show.

For those interested in exhibiting, full details and entry forms are in the Community Times, downloaded from our website or obtained from Trevor Smy. Entries for the show should be brought along between 8.15am-9am as judging will need to take place before the public display and coffee morning opens at 10am. Winners of each class will be awarded a certificate and the Olive Noakes Cup will be awarded to the most successful exhibitor. Please find the schedule and entry form on page 39.

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.

As part of our Summer Flower show on 5<sup>th</sup> August, 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 are 01206 262022 or [trevor.smy24@gmail.com](mailto:trevor.smy24@gmail.com). If you do not wish to germinate the seeds yourself seedlings will be available at the Morning Market on Saturday 13th May at the Church Hall from 9.30am-12noon 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 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. *Also see page 16.*

In addition to the above activities, please note the following dates for your diaries.

Tuesday 18th April      AGM and Fun Quiz  
Saturday 14th May      Morning Market

Further details will be in the Community Times nearer the time.



## ST JAMES' CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGING TEAM

Jeannette Finch 262993 Rose Cottage, Fen Street

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

### 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 (262993), 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 on 262993.



## NAYLAND SURGERY NEWS

Rebecca Renshaw, Practice Manager  
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[nayland-surgery.co.uk](http://nayland-surgery.co.uk)

We continue to offer appointments in the evenings and on 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 is closed for staff training in the afternoon on 31st January and 23rd February.





## STOUR BORDER COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB

John Spooner 262691

On Sunday 23rd January 2003, John Spooner and others organised a Country 'n' Western Dance in Nayland Village Hall. A club in Colchester had recently closed and the idea was to just run the club for six months to see if it was successful. Dances were a mixture of Western Country, Irish, rock and modern(ish) popular songs. That six months has become twenty years !

Sadly time and tide has caught up with us, which means were getting old !! The general effort and hassle with booking and preparing the events means now is the time to retire. Over 200 events have been organised. These range from charity nights to Hog Roasts, special afternoons to birthday nights.

Throughout we have had loyal supporters. People have travelled many miles not just locally but from Ipswich, Sudbury, Colchester and even from as far away as Southend ! Very often people have visited from far, far away to see their favourite artist. To everybody many thanks for your help and support over the years.

The last show was on 15th January when 100 people turned up to hear popular singer Bob Keeley. It was a great night and a fitting way to end these regular events, which, incidentally go back a long way in Nayland - Many years ago these dances were held in the hall at the White Hart. Such fun, those were the days. Different times !!

It may not be totally the end as someone has booked the hall for a dance on February 19th. We will see.



## NAYLAND CINEMA

Karen Freeman karenfreeman@suffolkonline.net Mob: 07773 402765

The matinee screening of Akenfield in December was well attended and much enjoyed. I would like to extend my thanks to those who generously donated cakes for the occasion all of which were delicious and rapidly disappeared!

The positive feedback from this event has raised the question of whether matinee performances would be appreciated by the village. The thought is that this could possibly be an addition to our current evening programme, if this would work for our projectionists, and maybe run this as a 'classic' afternoon with film requests from the village. I would be grateful for any feedback on this idea in addition to any other thoughts or suggestions regarding the regular Friday evening screenings.

Following a suggestion from someone in the village we were able to screen *Top Gun: Maverick* in January.

Please see Nayland Village Hall website for more detailed information.

Due to the increased costs of screening the films both in terms of Moviola's cost for licensing etc and higher energy costs to the village hall we have made a decision to increase ticket prices to £5. Tickets can be purchased online at [www.naylandevents.org](http://www.naylandevents.org), card payment at the door will be an option along with cash and Norman will also be able to accept card payments at the bar.

Our Mindful Baker Tim will provide his delicious pizzas which will be available before the film screening or in the interval. If you haven't tried the cinema before please do come along. Everything is there for you and please keep the ideas flowing.

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

**10th February: *The Outfit* (2022).** Leonard (Mark Rylance), a master English tailor who's ended up in Chicago, operating a tailor shop with his assistant Mable where he makes beautiful clothes for the only people around who can afford them: a family of vicious gangsters. The neighbourhood is controlled by Irish Mob boss Roy Boyle; they use Leonard's shop as a stash house for dirty money. Leonard tolerates this arrangement but one night they knock on his door in need of a favour and Leonard is thrust onto the board in a deadly game of deception and murder. Chaos ensues with rival criminal organisation, FBI evidence and a nationwide syndicate founded by Al Capone. Is there loyalty among gangsters? Who is Mable really and is Leonard the mild mannered tailor he portrays?

**17th March: *The Lost King* (2022)** is a British comedy drama based on the 2013 book *The King's Grave: The Search for Richard III* starring Steve Coogan and Sally Hawkins. It is a dramatisation of the story of Philippa Langley, the woman who initiated the search for King Richard III's remains under a car park in Leicester. Philippa, suffering with ME and a broken marriage, becomes obsessed with Richard III, joins the local Richard III Society, and embarks on a quest to find and exhumate his lost body.

**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 Hoppers, 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.

## NAYLAND MOBILE LIBRARY

### Route 20 : High Street P.O.

Saturdays at 10am-11.15am, every four weeks

**28 January - 25 February**

**25 March - 22 April**

### Route 9 : Parkers Way

Saturdays at 3.55pm-4.30pm, every four weeks

**28 January - 25 February**

**25 March - 22 April**

Tel: 01473 351249 [www.suffolklibraries.co.uk](http://www.suffolklibraries.co.uk)





## NAYLAND BELL RINGERS

Church Bells: Chris Hunt 262014 - Handbells Hazel Gardiner 262582

The most fun crackers I ever bought were some sold by Lakeland which contained 8 little numbered elves with a correspondingly notated music sheet of simple tunes. My family always request them at Christmas when there is much laughter caused by our inability to achieve recognisable song. However, last year there was some success with Old King Wenceslas.

The handbell group that meets on Tuesday afternoons in the Church Hall is much more professional and now has a wide repertoire. We hope to entertain in St James – when the weather warms up – so watch out for details, or better still come along to a practice.

Very best wishes for a happy and healthy New Year.

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

I am pleased that there are now some 'ringers' in training, and, fingers crossed we will soon have a band again in Nayland to ring regularly for services. Bell ringing is easy, when you know how, and the learning curve is gradual. Our new recruits are doing very well. I don't want to be gender specific but let's just say that us chaps are not well represented - shame on us !!

This year is the 100th anniversary of the Suffolk Guild of Bell Ringers and one plea being made is to try and get lapsed ringers back into the fold. So, if there are any ex-ringers out there you may like to get in touch.

As we are talking about the 'Tower', unfortunately the clock winding mechanism is faulty and the clock has stopped. Repair is a bit complicated (and costly !), so at the moment time will stand still ! If only - just saying.



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

Registered Charity Number 1052641

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

Chairman: John Partridge 263733  
[jpartridge99@gmail.com](mailto:jpartridge99@gmail.com)

The Friends have two fundraising events coming up.

Firstly on 17th February a Sea Shanty Evening at 6.30pm taking place in St James Church arranged by Darius Laws. The Hoolies will be blowing up a storm at Nayland with a lively performance of shanties and salty sea songs. Audience participation encouraged. Woolly jumpers recommended. Warming mulled wine provided. Tickets at £10, £5 for children are available online from [www.naylandevents.org](http://www.naylandevents.org)

This will be the first event back in the church after the alterations. Mike Roffe has completed the rearrangement of pews to extend the open space and enable better circulation of guests attending events and Danny Thurlow has laid a new floor where the pews were.

On 24th February there will be a Recital taking place in the Old Chapel on Stoke Road at 7pm, performance at 7.30pm. Mark Glanville (bass-baritone) and Marc Verter (piano) will be performing works by Shostakovich, Weinberg, Prokofiev, Georgy Sviridov, Olivier Milhaud, Galina Ustvolskaya, Nikolai Myaskovsky, Grażyna Bacewicz, Boris Lyatoshynsky. Wine will be available. Tickets at £15 are available online from [www.naylandevents.org](http://www.naylandevents.org)

The repertoire will heavily feature the Polish composer **Weinberg** who was persecuted under both Nazi and Russian regime. Other music will include solo piano pieces by **Prokofiev** and **Shostakovich** who greatly admired Weinberg's music. Because of the programme's origins in Eastern Europe and its consequent close relationship with what is happening in the region, it is felt appropriate that part of the proceeds of the concert should be donated to Ukraine.

A number of further concerts will be organised in St James from April onwards.





## Woodland Corner

Administrator: Nicola Peachey 263054  
e-mail: [woodlandcorner@outlook.com](mailto:woodlandcorner@outlook.com)

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

Registered Charity  
No. 1035330

We have welcomed some new families to Woodland Corner this term and we are looking forward to getting to know them. We still have a few more to join us that turn two in November. We are close to being full now till September 2023 but are still happy to show families around.

This half term we are learning about people who help us. We have a nurse coming in to talk to the children and if anyone in the local community would like to come in and talk to the children about how they help people, please email us.

We have continued with Yoga and Multisports sessions from our outside providers and we will be starting Emma's Learner gang for our oldest children going to school this year.

We have two holiday club dates this half term, Tuesday and Thursday - see page 18.

Please get in touch if you would like to arrange a visit to our wonderful setting or require further information.

Looking ahead, we are planning our fundraiser 'Family Bingo' on 11th March at 4pm to 7pm in the Village Hall. Young children are welcome. Bingo books will be on sale at Woodland Corner or on the night (if spaces).



## NAYLAND BABY & TODDLER GROUP

Leader: Gillian Manser 01206 751094  
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Facebook:  
Nayland Baby & Toddler Group



The Nayland Baby and Toddler Group meets on Fridays, in Nayland Village Hall, from 9.30am until 11.15am and costs £3.50 per family which includes tea/coffee and biscuits for adults and snacks and juice for children.

The group will be open on the 20th January, 27th January and 3rd February (weather permitting). We will be closed for two weeks for the February half term on the 10th and 17th. The group then re-opens on the 24th February. From March onwards we will be back into routine with opening dates roughly following the school term times.

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

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.



## Family@Nayland

Helen Schalin [helen.deex@gmail.com](mailto:helen.deex@gmail.com) 07717 766683

Thank you to everyone who came to our family Christingle on Christmas Eve - it was truly wonderful to see so many familiar and new faces in the church. A special time to reflect on the light of Jesus before going home to hang up our stockings and leave a mince pie for Father Christmas! Thank you in particular to all the children who participated so well and sang 'Away in a Manger' beautifully. The service raised £122 for the Children's Society.

Family services take place in St James', Nayland on the 3rd Sunday of every month at 10am. The services are informal, short and child friendly, with craft activities, stories and songs. The next service is 19th February - all are welcome to join us!







# VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Registered Charity No 304 928

[www.naylandandwiston.net](http://www.naylandandwiston.net) > Village Hall

Chairman: Iain Wright 263646

Secretary: Christine Thompson 262825



## JANUARY MEETING

### MATTERS ARISING & HOUSEKEEPING BOOK

- The November Health & Safety report was read and solutions were found to the issues found
- The calendar for January was read out.
- Locks will be asked to PAT test the equipment in the kitchen.

### MAINTENANCE

- The tiles in the chair store will be replaced.
- The windows at the Fen Street end of the Hall will be replaced.
- The foyer and corridor have been repainted

### TREASURER'S REPORT

- Endowment Fund £14,895, COIF £19,371, Bank £15,793, Cash £310, Debtors £0, Assets £25,214.

### BOOKINGS

- The hall is being very well used and early booking is advised.
- John Spooner is retiring from the Stour Border Country Music Club which will close. Another monthly country and western dance under different management has made bookings.

## 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,
- Tuesdays: 9.15 Pilates, 3pm Dance Club
- Wednesdays: 2pm Yoga
- Thursdays: 10am Botanical Drawing (from 16 March), 6pm Zumba Class
- Fridays: 9.30am Baby & Toddler Group
- Saturdays: 7.30am Yoga (during February)

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

## ROOF REPLACEMENT

- The Parish Council have agreed to give £40,000 towards the cost of the roof.
- Five Tenders have been sent out for the roof work.
- The fundraising thermometer diagram is showing the progress of the funds raised. It is hoped that sufficient funds will have been raised by the end of March for work to begin in April and finish by September.
- There will be four fundraising events this year:
  1. Local band 'Abbey Road' will perform a concert of Beatles music on Saturday 4th March.
  2. There will be a Midsummer Concert on the field 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

## DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- The next meeting will be on **Monday 6th February @ 7.30pm** in the hall committee room.
- The AGM will be on 1st March @ 8.15pm in the Village Hall
- The Village Hall garden spring tidy will be on 1st April

## COLLECTION OF KEYS

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

Please refer to the Village Hall pages on the website: [naylandandwiston.net](http://naylandandwiston.net)

## 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.



## NAYLAND CHOIR

Helen Walder 07810 275836  
helen\_walder@yahoo.co.uk

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

Twitter at @naylandchoir

We very much enjoyed the Autumn and Winter term and a good audience turned out for our concert 'Tis the Season' in December. It was a lovely start to the Christmas season and we thank everyone who came to listen to us on that super cold Sunday in St James's Church!

As always, the choir sang at the carol service in St James' and a lovely highlight was the opening of 'Once in Royal', beautifully sung by Rebecca Walder and Arthur Allen.

This term we will be singing the wonderful Faure's Requiem, along with other pieces. We're grateful to be joined by fabulous musicians on cello, violin, harp and organ.

We look forward to seeing you at the concert - 4pm on 26th March at St James' Church - for which rehearsals are taking place on Thursday evenings at 8pm in the school hall. It is not too late to join so if you feel like singing with us then please do come and join us! Tickets are available at [www.naylandevents.org](http://www.naylandevents.org)



# NAYLAND VILLAGE HALL – ROOF UPGRADE

## FUNDING

The Village Hall Management Committee (VHMC) are very grateful to the Nayland with Wissington Parish Council for their additional support for the Village Hall replacement roof project. The Parish Council additional money has enabled the VHMC to look forward to and to consider a more environmentally sustainable future for the Village Hall.

The VHMC has sent out to tender the roof works for quotes, this is a requirement prior to Babergh granting monies for this project, tender returns are expected after this edition of the Community Times is published.

The VHMC in conjunction with the Community Council are planning four events to assist with the fund raising, they are:

- **Beatles Tribute Band** (Abbey Road) on 4th March
- **Midsummer Picnic in the park** (Orchestra playing classics on 24th June
- **Afternoon Tea** (music in the background) on 14th July
- **Fun, Food & Music Village Festival** a day and a half on 2nd/3rd September

Please come to these events and also we need volunteers to assist with the events committee and also for the work on the field (erecting tents, stage etc and running the bar and stalls) Please contact Iain on, [ian.wright@iwaltd.co.uk](mailto:ian.wright@iwaltd.co.uk) if you can help. These are the events that should raise £20,000. This sum of money has already been included within the Money Thermometer (MT). The additional funds pledged or received have increased substantially both from the Parish Council and from Nayland with Wissington residents. The total sum for the project has still to be raised as can be seen in the amber and red sections of the MT. There is still a shortfall in the money to be raised and all donations will be gratefully received and acknowledged.

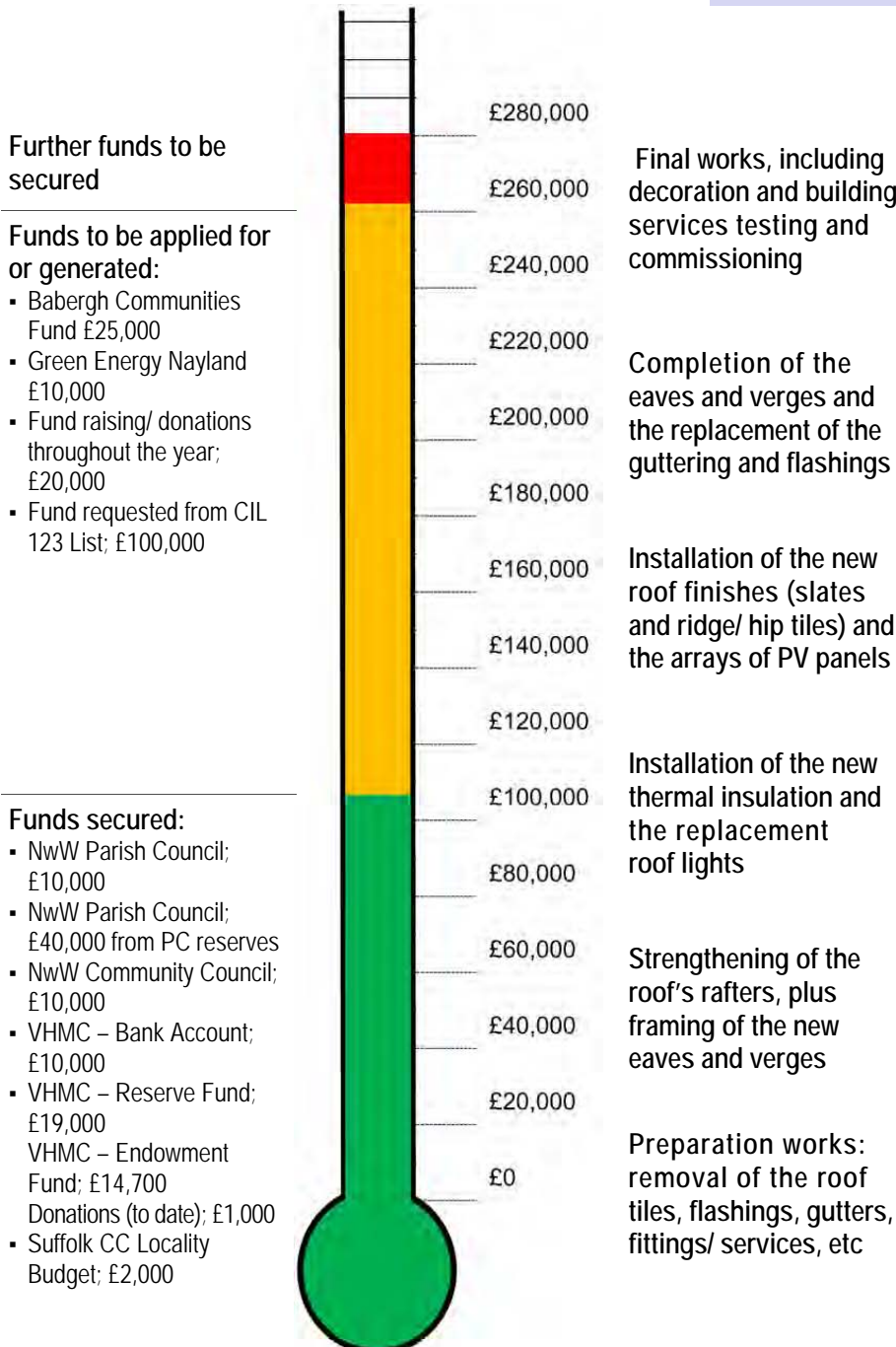
## DONATIONS

Please consider making a donation to the Village Hall roof / environmental and green energy project. The VH bank account is:

- Bank: Santander
- Account Name: Nayland Village Hall
- Sort Code: 09 01 51
- Account Number: 05239305.

Please mark your donations for the roof replacement.

## FUNDRAISING THERMOMETER



## ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

It may be of interest to residents to understand how the proposed re-roofing works form part of an evolving strategy for the Village Hall.

Energy consumption - and how that energy is produced - are key components of the forward plan for the Hall. The photovoltaic (PV) panels that will be installed as part of the re-roofing works will produce 'clean' electricity; that is, energy that does not require the burning of fossil fuels in the building. This is part – a significant part - of the strategy to reduce the carbon footprint of the Hall.

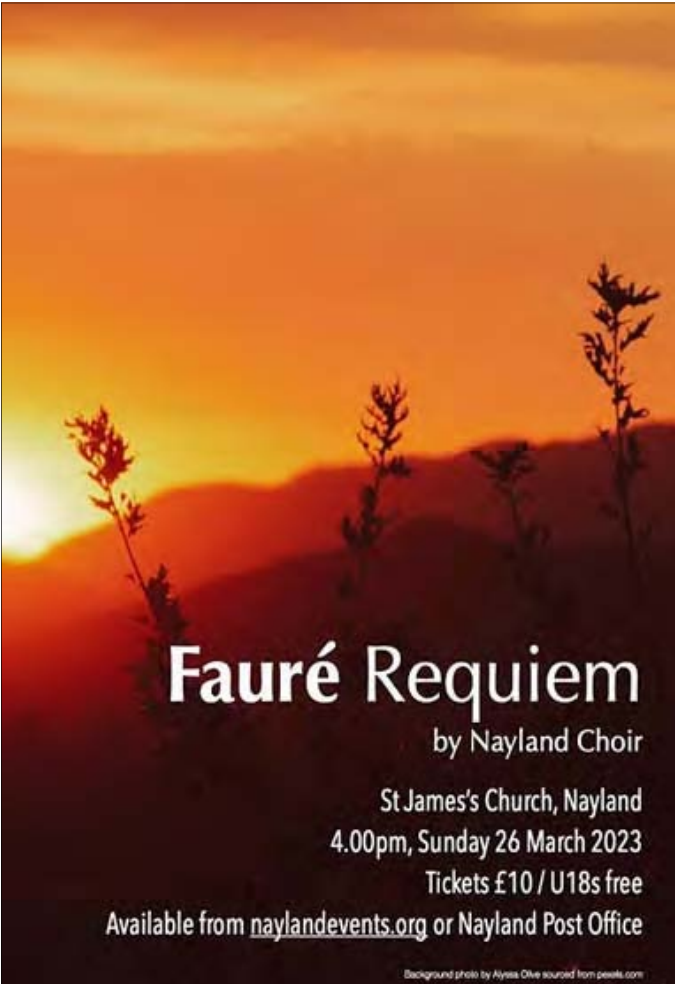
Eventually the existing fossil-fueled boiler could be replaced as another major contribution to reducing emissions directly associated with the running of the building.

PVs are relatively low maintenance compared to most central building plant. With no moving parts and only electrical services to periodically check, PVs will assist with reducing maintenance costs. The specified PV installation will act as a roof finish, so that a separate roof finish is not required (compared to, for example, retro-fitted PVs commonly seen on pre-installation roofs).

Another aspect of environmental sustainability considered as part of the design of the re-roofing was the choice of thermal insulation. The selected products provide a good level of 'breathability', letting internal moisture vapour (invisible within the air in the building) to migrate to the exterior. This reduces the chances of condensation forming within the building – a good principle to adopt to safeguard the fabric of the building. Additionally, the increased thickness of insulation material will assist with noise insulation, from the exterior and from the interior.

Next steps in the sustainability strategy for the Village Hall could include consideration of the other building services; how their energy consumption can be reduced and their operational carbon footprint possibly removed completely.





# Fauré Requiem


by Nayland Choir

St James's Church, Nayland  
4.00pm, Sunday 26 March 2023  
Tickets £10 / U18s free

Available from [naylandevents.org](http://naylandevents.org) or Nayland Post Office

Background photo by Alyssa Olive sourced from pixelfs.com

# Nayland Baby & Toddler group



Bring your child, trained or not, to the Nayland playgroup.

Great for:

- exercise & agility
- sociability
- obedience (!)
- healthy treats

Fridays during term time  
9.30am - 11.15am at  
Nayland village hall.

Lots of toys, activities, singing & refreshments

# PILATES

Nayland Village Hall, Church Lane  
Tuesdays: 9.15am to 10.15am  
and  
Nayland Church Hall, Bear Street  
Thursdays: 2pm to 3pm

# YOGA

Nayland Village Hall  
Wednesdays: 2pm to 3pm  
and (from January 2023)  
Saturdays: 7.30am to 8.30am

Call now to book your place:  
Joanne Metson  
07970 137118

# DANCE CLUB

Tuesdays 3pm-4pm  
Nayland Village Hall,  
Church Lane, CO6 4JH  
£5 per class

A low impact dance workout class for adults who love to dance! No partner needed, all types of dancing enjoyed in fun, easy to learn short sequences.

No booking required, just come along on the day.  
Love to dance?

Come along and give it a go. Leave the class with a smile on your face knowing you have had a wonderful workout without stepping foot in the gym!

Email: [danceclubfitness@aol.com](mailto:danceclubfitness@aol.com)  
Mobile: [07917 333712](tel:07917333712)

## Garden Notes

by The Old Muckspreader



Venturing out into his garden in the teeth of a bitter North Westerly the OM/S was happy to spot the first harbingers of Spring, the golden Aconites in full flower. One often thinks that Snowdrops deserve that title but the Aconites beat them, to borrow a bit of racing parlance by at least a short length.

Many years ago the OM/S introduced a few clumps into St James' churchyard – look as you go down the path – and they have survived and increased. Snowdrops are more effective with their single and double white flowers, and some Galanthophiles (as they are termed) go mad and spend large sums of money on rare varieties.

If bought and allowed to dry out, they can take time to settle down, but are best dug up in the green as the saying goes. The OM/S, whose cover, as they say in the best spy stories, has surely been blown would be happy to give some to anyone who asks on a day without frost.

Despite repetition the OM/S will not apologise for again recommending that North African export Iris Stylosa. Here they flower freely on non-frosty days, and will survive indoors for several days in water.

Next time we meet Spring will be here, and gardens will have woken up.

*For anyone thinking about adding Snowdrops to their gardens with autumn planted bulbs. I would highly recommend the Anglia Bulb Co based just up the road at Boxted. On seeing my first purchase of Snowdrop bulbs from them I thought there must be a mistake; the bulbs were enormous, more akin to a narcissus bulb. They have been very successful too. Many of the small bulbs from garden centres do not come to anything. Anglia Bulbs have all manner of bulbs for summer and autumn planting which you can explore on: [www.angliabulbs.com](http://www.angliabulbs.com) or talk to them on 01206 27 27 28*



### BIG GARDEN BIRDWATCH

With 1 in 4 birds in serious decline, it's never been more important to monitor the UK's bird populations. The

The Big Garden Birdwatch is fun and fascinating activity for all ages to enjoy and can be done from your garden, a local park or any open space. You never know what might land in your patch!

All you have to do is:

1. Watch the birds around you for one hour at any time between **27-29 January**
2. Count how many of each species of bird lands on your patch
3. Go online and tell us what you saw

For more information go to: <https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch/>

### WORDSEARCH: Birds

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## THE BUTTON FAMILY: TANNERS OF NAYLAND

The following poem was written in 1825 about the wedding in Ipswich of Thomas Button whose family were Tanners in Nayland in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. Thomas was the son of Nathaniel Boosey Button and Hannah Stammers. The tannery was on the site of what is now Numbers 1-7 Stoke Road and the Button family lived in the adjoining house. The tannery was followed by a maltings and then a garage before the four cottages were built in the 1990s. The Button family had been united through marriage in 1793 with the Stammers family who owned the Nayland mill and in the 1830s Thomas Button, his brother, William Stammers Button, and their families all emigrated to Tasmania where their descendants still live. More about these enterprising families will be told at a later date.



*Congregational Church, Stoke Road*

Ding dong sound the bells from Nayland's old spire  
And to find out the reason I sought to enquire.  
Old Thearcroft replied "tho' a long time he's tarried  
Master Thomas the Tanner at last has got married,  
And we are expecting both him and his bride,  
For as soon as all's over, from Ipswich they'll ride."

Parson Edgar has done and has spliced them together  
And off they all start, for 'tis very fine weather -  
Mr Clarke and Mamma, sisters, uncles and friends;  
The day thus begun, we'll see how it ends.

As they passed thro' Stoke Street, Wood was stuffing a collar  
But he put down his work when he heard the folks holler  
And stood at his door to wish joy to the pair,  
And he made them a bow with a very good air.

The Temple they've passed and the last corner turned  
By those on the Steeple they're quickly discerned,  
And now the old bells seem as if really they're mad,  
Such a jingling they made and the folks all seem'd glad.

The Meeting House now opens on to their view,  
And Reverend stands ready to give them their due.  
What he said was all lost in the midst of the sound  
But I'm sure that he made them a bow to the ground.

When the corner they tuned going up to the Mill  
I thought the post-chaise the fair couple would spill.  
The mill boys and bark peelers set such a squalling,  
The horses were frightened and near unto falling!

But soon all were safe landed at Aunt Button's door,  
From gigs and post chaises at least half a score.  
Dear Aunty appears (with her hands white with flour)  
To welcome the bride and open the door.

How her face brightened upon seeing her niece,  
As she viewed her in white with a satin pelisse.  
An emblem of innocence sweet to the eyes -  
And for my friend Tommy an acceptable prize.

The dinner and tea and so forth are all done.  
Night comes on at length with a time for all fun  
And now they are gone I'll wish them Good-night  
'Till Mrs Button the Second appears at daylight.  
May providence bless them and lengthen their lives  
And they become patterns for all husbands and wives.

Oh, I wish I'd been there to have seen all the fun!  
With teasing the bride I'd never had done;  
But as I was not, send a thought after me  
Who remembers you thus across the wide sea.

**C L, Trinidad, 22 Feb 1825 (The Bride's brother)**

Notes: Old Thearcroft was the Parish Clerk; Wood, a saddler in Stoke-by-Nayland was "stuffing a collar"; The Temple in Stoke Road, the former fishing lodge at Tendring Hall; Bark peeling was a part of the tanning process; Meeting House, the former Congregational Church in Stoke Road, demolished in 1864 and replaced by the present building.

**Wendy Sparrow, Parish Recorder**

## WHERE ARE THE 2 PUBLIC ACCESS DEFIBRILLATORS IN NAYLAND?

- **Nayland Fire Station**, Bear Street, Nayland CO6 4HY on the outside wall by the entrance.
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Please familiarise yourself with these locations and let your friends, family and neighbours know. Minutes Matter.



## WEATHER SUMMARY: November & December 2022 *by David Lowe*

**November** was wet and warm, compared to the average, with record rainfall for the past 15 years for November of 117.6 mm (65.81 mm average and next highest 107.4 mm in 2009). Mean temperature was 9.6 (7.97) just behind 10°C in 2010 and 9.9°C in 2011.

The weather was dominated by a succession of depressions and their associated fronts moving across the country from the Atlantic, dropping generally moderate amounts of rain on each occasion. It was the frequency of their passage that was the issue. So flooding issues were modest.

Highest temperature for the month was 16.1°C on the 1st (16.2) and lowest 1°C (-1.91). The lowest max was 7.5 °C (5.35). There were no days with a max of less than 5 °C (1.0) 5 with a max of less than 10°C (11.07) and 27 less than 15°C (27.47).

There was 1 grass frost – with no ground or air frosts. Bright sun hours were 72.4 (82.05) solar energy was 2015 Ly (2189) and evapotranspiration 16.8 mm (17.59).

Monthly rainfall, as already stated, was 117.6 mm (65.81). There were 5 days on which over 10 mm fell (1.2) a record but none over 20 mm. Highest rainfall rate was 72.4 mm/hr (47.54).

Average windspeed was 4.3 mph (3.79) with highest daily average of 8.9 mph (10.28). Highest gust was 42 mph (32.47).

**December** was noteworthy for the cold spell between the 7th and 18th, the high level of sunshine hours and low rainfall.

The cold spell was the coldest/longest since 2010, with 9 days

with a mean of less than 0°C and three nights with temperatures in the -6°C to -7°C range. Unusually, there was only a smattering of snow, but ice thicknesses built up to 100 mm or so. This was the first year since 2010 when a week's ice skating was enjoyed in the East Anglian Fens, mostly in bright sunshine.

However, temperatures were not as low as in 2010 (-12°C minimum) and while December 2010 was not exclusively cold, tropical air did not reach the country at any point. This December, tropical air moved in on the 19th and brought about a remarkably rapid rise in temperature from the 17th to the 19th, when the mean temperature rose from -0.8°C to + 11.5°C, with a max of 13.2°C!

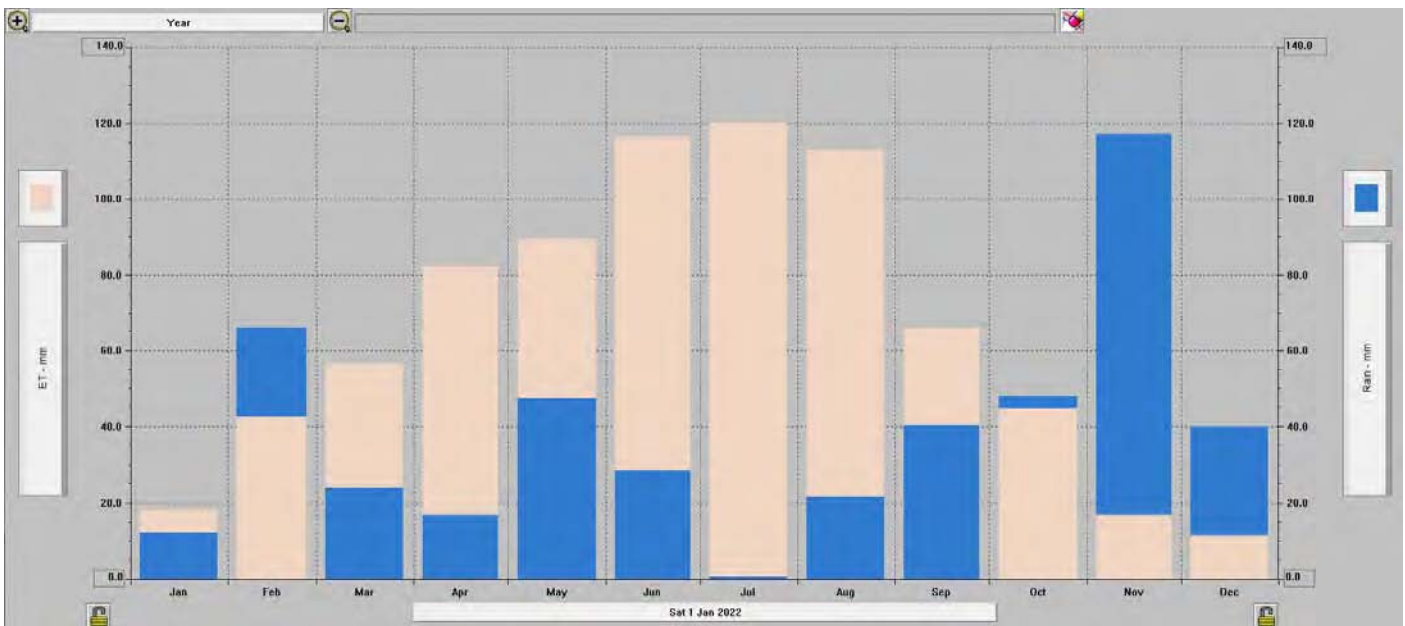
The mean temperature for this December was 4.4°C – while that of 2010 was 0.7°C. Both December 2008 and 2009 had lower means than this year. The December mean average is 5.5°C. 11 days had a maximum of less than 5°C (6.13) and 23 less than 10°C (21.2).

Bright sun hours were 58.7 (48.05) third highest over the last 15 years (which 2010 was not amongst) and solar energy 1610 Ly (1385.33) second highest for the 15 year period. Evapotranspiration was 11.9 mm (12.99).

Monthly rainfall was 40.2 mm(61.02) leaving a record deficit for the year of transpiration over rainfall of 192.6 mm (77.3). Highest rainfall rate was 10.8 mm/hr (12.4). Only one day had over 10 mm of rain (1.13).

Average wind speed was 4.6 mph (4,17) and highest gust was 37 mph.

### 2022 RAINFALL & EVAPOTRANSPIRATION



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Nayland &amp; District Horticultural Society

# Spring Flower Show

## on Saturday 25th March 2023

### Display Opens at 10am in the Church Hall

Come along and enjoy the displays of spring flowers and relax with refreshments.  
Entry is free. Cakes will be on sale & there will be a raffle.

**Classes:**

- 1 Pot of spring bulbs, corms or tubers (*other than Daffodil/Narcissus*)
- 2 Pot of 5 Daffodil/Narcissus bulbs any colour or variety
- 3 Pot miniature Daffodil/Narcissus bulbs
- 4 Pot of Polyanthus or Primula (*Primroses*)
- 5 Flowering houseplant
- 6 Non-flowering houseplant
- 7 3 blooms (*any one variety*) floating in a dish of water
- 8 Flower Arrangement: 'A Host of Daffodils' (*to be predominantly Daffodils*)
- 9 Flower Arrangement: 'Spring Fever' (*max size 12" overall*)
- 10 Vase with 3 stems of Hyacinths
- 11 Vase of mixed flowers and/or flowering shrubs
- 12 Vase of a single variety of flowering shrub or tree
- 13 Vase of 3 Tulips (*any variety/varieties*)
- 14 Vase with 1 bloom Camellia
- 15 Vase of 6 assorted Daffodil/Narcissus
- 16 Vase of 6 Miniature Daffodil/Narcissus
- 17 3 specimen Daffodil/Narcissus blooms (*any one variety*)
- 18 Rhubarb: 3 stalks, leaves trimmed, but if forced foliage should remain

**Rules:**

Entry for exhibits will be 10p per class.

Entries to be submitted to the **HortSoc Box** in the Post Office by Tuesday 21st March.

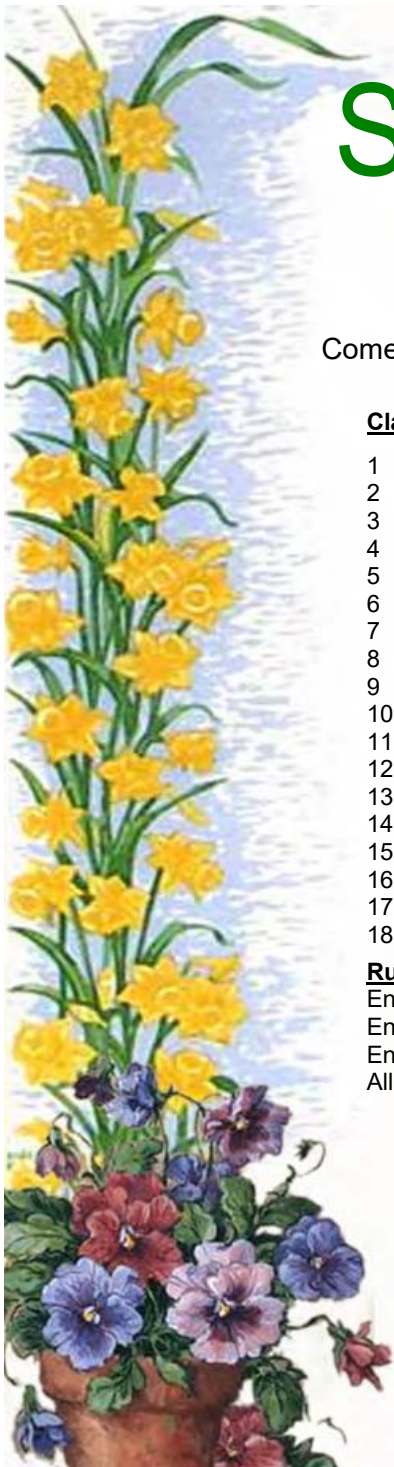
Entries to be brought to the hall between 8.15am-9am on the morning of the show.

All persons must leave the hall during judging at 9am unless officially retained.

- The show is staged by the Nayland & District Horticultural Society.
- No exhibitor may make more than one entry in any one class.
- The Church Hall will be open for staging entries on the show day from 8.15am – 9am
- All exhibitors shall provide their own vases, plates or other containers. Pot plants must be placed on a saucer/container.
- All exhibits must be *bona fide* growth of the exhibitor from his or her own garden or allotment.
- THE JUDGES DECISION IS FINAL ON ALL MATTERS RELATING TO THE COMPETITION.
- The Committee will take reasonable care of all exhibits, but will not in any event hold themselves liable or responsible for accident, loss or damage to any article exhibited.
- Exhibits must be removed between 11.45 – 12 noon on the show day.

Entry forms and more information are available from:

01206 262022 or [trevor.smy24@gmail.com](mailto:trevor.smy24@gmail.com) or [www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk](http://www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk)



## Spring Flower Show Entry Form

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## FIVE PARISHES CHURCH SERVICES:

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### CHURCH SERVICES: February

<u>Sunday 5th</u> February	8.00 am Holy Communion (SJ)	Nayland
	9.30am First Sunday	Leavenheath VH
	9.30am Holy Communion (SJ)	Wiston
	11.15am Holy Communion (SJ)	Polstead
	6.30pm Evening Prayer	Stoke
<u>Sunday 12th</u>	9.30am Morning Prayer	Leavenheath
	9.30am Holy Communion (SJ)	Nayland
	11.00am Holy Communion (SJ)	Stoke
	5.30pm Evening Prayer	Wiston
<u>Sunday 19th</u>	8.00am Holy Communion	Stoke
	9.30am Morning Prayer	Polstead
	9.30am Morning Prayer	Wiston
	10.00am Family Service	Nayland
	6.30pm Evening Praise	Leavenheath VH
<u>Wednesday 22nd</u> <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	7.00pm Ash Wednesday Service	Leavenheath
<u>Sunday 26th</u>	<del>8.00 am Holy Communion</del>	<del>Wiston - Cancelled</del>
	9.30am Morning Prayer	Stoke
	11.15am Holy Communion	Leavenheath
	6.30pm Evening Praise	Nayland

### 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](mailto:nicola.church@yahoo.com)

### Weekday & Saturday Services

The following services will be held in our churches **every** week unless indicated below. 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 C	Polstead

Key: MP Morning Prayer, HC Holy Communion, EP Evening Prayer, C Compline

**Daily church opening times:** Nayland 10-4pm, Wiston 9-4pm  
 Stoke 9-4pm, Leavenheath 10-4pm, Polstead 9-4pm.

## COFFEE, CAKE & CONVERSATION



### Wednesday Coffee Mornings 10am to noon

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

Coffee mornings resumed on 18th January in the Church Hall following the festive break.

It's expected they will then return to St James' Church in February, depending on progress with works taking place in the church.

### CHURCH SERVICES: March

<u>Sunday 5th</u> March	8.00 am Holy Communion (SJ)	Nayland
	9.30am First Sunday	Leavenheath VH
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	9.30am Morning Prayer	Polstead
	9.30am Morning Prayer	Wiston
	10.00am Family Service (HS/SJ)	Nayland
	6.30pm Evening Praise	Leavenheath
<u>Sunday 26th</u>	<del>8.00 am Holy Communion</del>	<del>Wiston - Cancelled</del>
	9.30am Morning Prayer	Stoke
	11.15am Holy Communion	Leavenheath
	6.30pm Evening Praise	Nayland
<u>Sunday 2nd</u> <u>April</u>	8.00 am Holy Communion (SJ)	Nayland
	9.30am First Sunday	Leavenheath VH
	9.30am Holy Communion (SJ)	Wiston
	11.15am Holy Communion (SJ)	Polstead
	6.30pm Evening Prayer	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

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

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

### FROM THE REGISTERS



### FUNERALS

Kathy Oakes  
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## Pastoral letter for January 2023

A year now has gone since I arrived as your new vicar. Once upon a time, new vicars used to spend a whole year just observing and following the flow of what pre-existed their arrival. I'm afraid that due to a mix of urgent needs and my character, the tradition was very quickly disregarded and I have started making some changes.

The most obvious consequence for the regular church-goers was the change of the Sunday service rota and the addition of week days services. Nothing revolutionary, just making sure services were at the right time, that no parish was neglected, that all the traditions could be available across the Benefice and every one had a chance to see the vicar at least once a month. Having week days services makes us a praying community that doesn't think that faith is just on Sunday morning.

The most spectacular for the wider community has been the blossoming of our Community Pantry & Hardship Fund. Through the combined dedication of some church-goers and members of the wider community, what was initially one community pantry and a small amount to provide emergency help, has become four pantries across the five parishes and more substantial amount to support children of our two schools, to help struggling families and lonely people, as well as to offer or to sponsor warm spaces during the cold months.

There are many other things on our plate, like the ongoing reshaping of the website (a new one will come at the beginning of the year). The reference I take to shape all our actions is always what is called the Nazareth Manifesto. During His first public appearance, Jesus read a passage of Isaiah at the synagog to tell what was His plan: feed the poor, heal the sick, give sight to the blind, liberate the captive and proclaim the good news. There are many ways of fulfilling this list literally or symbolically, I will always focus on that.

My reflection on what we have achieved so far and on what

I have observed of our needs is the following: our church buildings are consecrated not only for Sunday worship use but also for the benefit of all. This means our churches need to be more comfortable and welcoming, become proper community hubs and events venues and not freezing spaces. This is why the pews at the bottom of St James' Nayland have been removed to offer more space, St Mary's Stoke-by-Nayland had its children's corner refreshed and one was created in St Mary's Polstead, a new disabled access was built in St Mary-the-Virgin's Wis(sing)ton and a reshaping of St Matthew's in Leavenheath is in project. But that's not enough. It is terribly frustrating to realise that we cannot offer the churches as warm spaces during the cold months and that we need to hire venues to meet this need.

This is why I have started reflecting with my Ministry Team and the five PCCs of the Benefice on how we can produce energy and provide proper heating in the buildings. A few years ago, a first attempt to install solar panels on St James' roof was rebuked for conservatory reasons. But times have changed and authorities are more keen on allowing such projects. There are so many things that are possible now. Not only solar panels have improved their efficiency but also solar tiles exists and wall batteries to store the energy. Silent wind turbines have been invented as well as tree shaped ones or vibrating pillars. You can put panels on a roof or on land. There are now a great variety of heating systems with low consumption of energy.

For that long term project, I will need volunteers of any kind of expertise/experience of project managing, environmental issues, energy, communication, fund raising etc... I know I should be wishing you a happy new year, but instead I wish that we will bring to all a happy new year! All my blessings for 2023.

**Your Rector, Rev Stéphane**

## COMMUNITY PANTRY & HARDSHIP FUND

It is a pleasure to start 2023 with some good news about the Community Pantries in the villages of Nayland, Stoke, Polstead and Leavenheath! Christmas saw many acts of generosity with specific donations of seasonal food, while other people gave money for the purpose, enabling us to stock up on 'extras' to help with the cost of Christmas. Someone who won a hamper in a raffle immediately gave the contents to the Nayland pantry, so all in all, it was heartening that there was so much support.

The new year has brought us an entirely unforeseen windfall, thanks to the untiring efforts of someone in the community who is always looking for ways to support the work of the Community Pantry/Hardship Fund (CP/HF). This large consignment of mostly tinned foods will certainly help in the difficult few months ahead.

Dogs are not forgotten either! A local dog-lover, horrified at the idea of dogs having to be given up because of the cost of feeding them or of owners going hungry in order to provide for their animals, has donated a dedicated sum for dog food: we are currently looking into getting the best possible value for this thoughtful donation.

All that is positive news, and heaven knows we can do with some! There is, however, no sign of an imminent easing of the cost of living crisis, and though just at the moment the four pantries have had an unexpected boost, funds are still needed to maintain them throughout the year, not just for food, but also to provide the cleaning and personal products which are such an additional drain on household budgets. On top of this, there are increasing demands on the Hardship Fund which is administered in confidence by Rev Stéphane Javelle and Rev Valri Armstrong (telephone numbers 01206 263589 and 01206 272812 respectively). Help is being targeted at families in particular need via the two primary schools from this fund, and it would be good to extend this to as many as possible.

Sadly, everywhere we look, be it on television or in newspapers, we are asked to support people in need or myriad other good causes. Faced with this, it is easy to think that donating £5 or

so to the CP/HF each month would make little difference, but it would. It could buy 5 bottles of washing-up liquid, or 5 kitchen cleaning sprays, or 5 deodorants, or 5 jars of peanut butter.... so if ten or more people were to do the same each month, it would add up over a year to a significant sum.

Would you give it some thought? If you don't already support the CP/HF fund a standing order can be set up using the following details: A/c name – Community Pantry/Hardship Fund; Sort code 30-99-50 (Lloyds Bank); A/c number - 24195560. Of course, bringing items to the pantries themselves is an option, but please only tins and packets, and bear in mind that fuel prices mean that microwaveable foodstuffs are preferable to things that need long cooking.

So thank you to everyone who has enabled this small benefice to open three new pantries in the past year and to keep all four open 24/7 - something of which we can be proud. With very best wishes for 2023 from the CP/HF team.

## Parlez-vous français?

### Fancy brushing up on your French conversation during these winter months?

Perhaps you have a holiday planned or just want to chat in French with other like-minded people?

As a fluent French speaker nearing retirement, I thought it might be helpful to share my knowledge of the French and their language with anyone who might be interested in brushing up their language skills.

The idea is to hold a number of informal sessions of one hour (or more, if the conversation flows!) at a venue in Wiston.

To find out more please email [julianbaker.jb@gmail.com](mailto:julianbaker.jb@gmail.com)

**Merci to those who have already contacted me  
and à bientôt to those who are about to!**



## SESAW NEWS:



Each year, happy owners often return with ex-SESAW dogs for a Christmas visit. One of these catch-ups highlighted an issue which might interest readers so here is Carmen's story: *"Last year we were ready to open our hearts to another dog, having lost one in lockdown. We just missed one we liked at SESA W but were introduced to three Cocker Spaniels. Poor things, they were so scared and neglected, understandably after being used for breeding. We fell in love instantly and knew they were the dogs for us.*

*They came home where they are safe, cared for and very much loved but we noticed strangers giving us horrible looks when out on walks. We couldn't figure out why, but then it clicked. They saw the girls' low-hanging bellies, caused by having*

*so many litters of puppies in their previous lives, and they were judging us for how they looked. It made us feel awful."*

*The moral is, please don't make assumptions based on how a dog may look or act. Maybe, like ours, it didn't have the best start and the owner is trying to make a good life for their pet and help it heal from horrible past experiences. Our girls have come on so well since we've had them, but there is still a long way to go. So please don't judge a book by its cover, because you don't know what's happened on the inside."*

Well said, Carmen. It's the same for canines like me. Many of my fans used to think little dogs were nasty and vicious until they met me, **Kenny (the Boss) Chihuahua**.

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## VILLAGE PLAYERS: 'THE OZ FACTOR'

The Village Players' latest production was a return to an old theme – but with a difference. Holding its first pantomime for four years, instead of opting for the traditional Snow White, Cinderella, Alladin, Pied Piper, Dick Whittington or Jack and the Beanstalk, the Players decided to do all SIX – and more besides!

Brilliantly scripted by the Players' own Andrew Walker *The Oz Factor* was a non-stop gag-fest appealing to young and old and selling out on three of the four performances (with only a handful of seats left for the other show).

At the top of the bill was Charlie Erith, narrating the whole piece from his comfy chair, wearing a smoking jacket. He worked wonderfully with young Dorothy (Alice Gurden) who, in a plot twist, turned out to be his daughter! Somehow Andrew managed to weave in a Star Wars narrative which was a recurring theme throughout the show.

John McCarroll as a middle-aged Jack was sublime and formed a perfect partnership with his mum (Jim Bond – always comfortable in a dress). Heading up the "villains" was Eville Queen (Emma Wallis) who teamed up well with Mark Russell as Mirror Mirror (the moaning northern, well, mirror). Lining up in their evil ranks were Nick Moriarty as the wicked Jafar, Adam Walker as the word-perfect rapping King Rat (who then sang a lively duet of "Sultans of Swing" with Jafar), brother Matthew Walker as the lothario Prince Charming (with some very close to the knuckle comments about...another prince) who sang "Take on Me" perfectly, the very tall Henry Tasker as Cap'n Hook (yaaargh!) and Lou Fortunato (the catty social media influencer Goldilocks) whose amazing voice rounded off the main performance with a touch of R-E-S-P-E-C-T.

As for the "Heroes" Alladin (Arthur Allen) showed great comedic timing as he had a stand-up row with Jafar who thought he'd gone too far; whilst Lucas Williamson as Puss in Boots "meowed" his lines faultlessly before belting out "Don't Stop meow." Alex Walder as Dick Whittington superbly parodied a certain recent politician before giving a sweet rendition of "Politics of Dancing". Another memorable performance was the bearded "Furry Godmother" played by Debbie Lock, who then did a duet with Hook (which was rudely interrupted by the attention-seeking Jack's mum singing "All That Jazz").

Meanwhile, the hilarious Mark West as Tinkerbell was flitting around the stage, believing that she was still teeny-tiny (before dramatically removing his wig to reveal a bald pate!). Tim Dotchin was perfectly cast as the wizard who had the temerity to steal the clothes from the Wizard of Oz (magnificently played by Wayne Buller).

There were many debuts amongst the above cast, and it was a joy to see so many children (some of the very young) involved in, what is after all, a show (not just) for kids. Ella Ball as Cinderella and Rebecca Walder as Snow White realised Prince Charming had been two-timing them! They acted superbly and gave an amazing rendition of "I Will Survive"; Rory Lock as the Pied Piper performed his role well in leading his band of munchkins (Penny Durance, Miriam Richardson and Evie Selby) on to the stage on several occasions. They all danced wonderfully well before being sent packing, being reminded "this is a panto – not a musical!" Last but not least for the kids, little Hamish Allen who put in a faultless performance, doubling up as a Munchkin and a dear little baby bear who Goldilocks kidnapped for a ransom.

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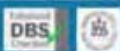


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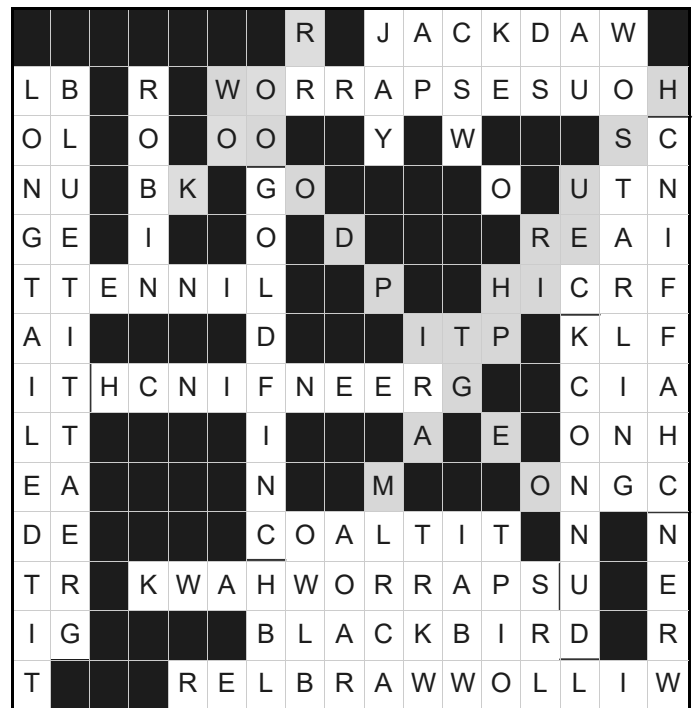
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<b>February</b>	
3rd	Community Council: Fun Village Quiz 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 7 &amp; 9</i>
6th	Village Hall Management Committee meeting 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 32 &amp; 47</i>
8th	Parish Council: meeting 7.30pm Village Hall or by Zoom <i>page 2 &amp; 47</i>
9th	Women's Institute: 'Sixteen Years Living in Japan' Justin Dowding 2.30pm Village Hall <i>page 24</i>
10th	Village Cinema: 'The Outfit' 7pm for 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 19 &amp; 29</i>
17th	Friends of St James: Sea Shanty Evening 6.30pm St James' <i>page 18 &amp; 30</i>
24th	Friends of St James: Recital 7pm Old Chapel, Stoke Road <i>page 30</i>
<b>March</b>	
1st	Community Council: AGM 7.30pm (Exec 7pm) Village Hall <i>pages 1, 9 &amp; 47</i>
1st	Village Hall Management Committee: AGM 8.15pm Village Hall <i>pages 1, 32 &amp; 47</i>
4th	Village Hall Roof Fundraiser: 'Abbey Road' Beatles Night 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 1, 17 &amp; 33</i>
6th	Village Hall Management Committee meeting 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 35 &amp; 47</i>
6th	Conservation Society: AGM Mark Wilkinson 'Postage Stamp Design' 7.15 pm Village Hall <i>page 18 &amp; 27</i>
8th	Parish Council: meeting 7.30pm Village Hall or by Zoom <i>page 2 &amp; 47</i>
11th	St James' Churchyard Working Party 9am-12noon <i>page 21</i>
11th	Woodland Corner: Family Bingo 4pm Nayland Village Hall <i>page 18 &amp; 31</i>
13th	Royal British Legion: meeting 7.30 for 8pm Church Hall <i>page 24</i>
14th	HortSoc: Spring speaker Roger Hance 'Photography' 7pm for 7.30 Church Hall <i>page 17 &amp; 28</i>
17th	Village Cinema: 'The Lost King' 7pm for 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 19 &amp; 29</i>
22nd	Parish Council: Annual Parish Assembly 7.45pm Village Hall <i>page 6</i>
23rd	Village Players: 'Snake in the Grass' 6.30pm Village Hall <i>page 16 &amp; 26</i>
24th	Village Players: 'Snake in the Grass' 6.30pm Village Hall <i>page 16 &amp; 26</i>
25th	HortSoc: Spring Show & Coffee Morning 10am-12 noon Church Hall <i>page 28 &amp; 39</i>
25th	Village Players: 'Snake in the Grass' 6.30pm Village Hall <i>page 16 &amp; 26</i>
26th	Nayland Choir: 'Fauré Requiem' 4pm St James' Church <i>page 32 &amp; 34</i>
<b>April</b>	
1st	Village Hall: Spring Gardening Morning from 9am <i>page 8, 21 &amp; 32</i>
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