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## COMMUNITY CORONATION CELEBRATION

God Save the King. Many of us were glued to our televisions to watch the historic occasion of the Coronation of King Charles III on 6th May. It was such a shame that the weather was unkind but the typically British pomp and ceremony went on regardless.

Like many other communities the following day, when thankfully the sun came out, Nayland residents celebrated with a Coronation Picnic on Webb's Meadow at the village hall. It was a lovely, relaxed affair, just what the doctor ordered after the hustle and bustle of the past year. Thank you for being part of the celebrations. See page 11



## RIVER STOUR MANAGEMENT: THE BATTLE CONTINUES

Residents have watched on in dismay over recent years as the river through Nayland and the Horseshoe Weir have become overgrown and neglected. A number of residents have contacted the Environment Agency and have been met with a variety of excuses; often they contradict themselves.

Many are frustrated, disappointed or angry, but there is still determination that our river should not be allowed to remain in this sorry state. The fight needs to continue.

**Please see page 19 to find out if you could help.**

If residents can amass evidence as to the standard of navigation in the 70s, specifically 1975, it will bolster our argument that the EA is not fulfilling its statutory obligation.

Once upon a time



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## NAYLAND & WISTON CALENDAR COMPETITION

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## Notes by observer of the meeting: 12th April 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.

### PUBLIC FORUM

Stuart Davis advised of amendments to the planning application on land adjacent to Paddock Grove. He said he would be happy to show Councillors around the site. He was questioned why he continues to apply for 4 bed houses when the Housing Needs Survey did not show a need for larger properties. Stuart also raised the Paddock Grove development which, apart from other disappointing appearance and lower grade materials, did not have adequate hedging along the A134. He believes there is an enforcement issue. He is in contact with a Dedham Vale AONB officer; it is hoped they may be able to improve the current streetscape by ensuring more planting. He said if he sells the current plot he will endeavour to put in legal constraints to avoid a similar occurrence.

Iain Wright, Chair of Village Hall Management, updated the meeting on the roof replacement project funding; the Green Energy Nayland grant of £10,000 has now been confirmed.

### DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

Melanie Barrett attended for the last time as she was not standing for re-election: she was thanked for all her hard work on behalf of the village during her 8 years as Councillor. She said local elections take place on 4th May and photo ID will be required. The mechanical road sweeper will be deployed to sweep Horkesley Road.

### COUNCIL FINANCES

Quotes for a dedicated PC website were considered and it was agreed to instruct Suffolk Cloud. Full training can be given, the site will follow the latest accessibility guidelines and the provider supports around 100 parish councils in Suffolk and Essex.

### PLANNING

Councillors heard that Babergh have granted permission at **22 Heycroft Way [DC/23/00615]** for works to trees to fell a Spruce tree. Planning permission was refused at 17 Stoke Road [DC/23/00568] for erection of a two storey side extension, creating second access point and widening existing access including removal of part of boundary wall.

In relation to recent applications, councillors had no objections to listed building consent at **8 High Street [DC/23/01592]** for internal ground floor alterations including re-positioning servery and re-configuring dining room and kitchen areas or at **5 Church Mews, High Street [DC/23/00009]** for removal of existing oil-fired boiler and flue and replace with new oil-fired boiler and vertical flue.

The application on land behind the Fairfield, near the Burial Ground and School appear to have an inaccurate assessment by SCC Highways as the access does not join a public Highway; it joins a driveway owned jointly by the PC, the Diocese and Nayland House. Mary George will draft correspondence to SCC Highways clarifying this.

Following submission of concerns by the PC and Conservation Society to Babergh in connection with the way planning applications are considered a meeting with all parties will be held on 5th May in Nayland.

### HIGHWAYS

The Community litter pick will take place on 22nd April.

The Conservation Society will raise progress with James Finch in relation to taking forward a proposal for a 20 mph zone or limit within the village, following survey data results and changes in criteria.

A resident has enquired about bottle bank provision in the village. Councillors were reminded that in the past a suitable location in the village for a bottle bank could not be found; the history of this had been circulated to councillors. This will be discussed further at the May meeting.

Councillors were alerted during the Parish Assembly that the

beacons on the A134 junction with Bear Street do not light up; this would be reported on the Highways Reporting Tool in the usual way.

### LASTING ROYAL MEMORIAL

SCC, the landowner of Caley Green, has given written permission for a memorial tree and bench to commemorate the late Queen and the coronation of the new King. The next stage will be to cost the project and liaise with the PC's Grounds Maintenance Contractors.

### RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES

A meeting with Matthew Lee, SCC Properties Officer took place on 24th March to discuss erosion of the riverbank, the long reed bed, the culvert relating to Caley Green, Star Alley and other items. SCC will investigate sources of funding for a budget of around £13,000 to install wooden revetment. It was noted that agreement of a plan for the proposals put forward by the Working Party requires approval of the full PC. Work to the long reed bed cannot take place until after this nesting season; an ongoing annual maintenance plan is also required. Work to the culvert is being chased.

Councillors were advised that SCC do not own the majority of Star Alley; it is not registered. This is being investigated as it affects future maintenance of this well used walkway.

An unauthorised publicity banner had been erected on Caley Green; this will be taken down and the organisers asked to remove it.

### LITTER & DOG WASTE BINS

The new litter bins have been installed on Caley Green. The Clerk will check with Babergh to establish whether locating a bin at the edge of the turning circle on the Fairfield is a serviceable location for emptying.

A resident has complained regarding the siting of a new dog waste bin near their property in Fen Street. Councillors felt this should be moved once a new location is found. Laura Erith and Owen Brown agreed to investigate a new location and they will liaise with residents to gain ideas.

### ALLOTMENTS

It was pointed out that some plots are still not being cultivated. Plot 12 has been divided and allocated to two new tenants. The new trees on the Allotment Field for the Queen's Canopy seem to have taken root and the plaque has been received. The trees will require manure and it was agreed to ask for a quote to mulch the 20 new trees. It was noted the judge for the Best Kept Allotment Competition needs to be booked.

### BURIAL GROUND

It was resolved to instruct the most competitive quote from Suffolk Tree Services to undertake tree surgery work at the Burial Ground; this would be carried out after the nesting season.

It was agreed for the Clerk to write to Nayland House seeking their support in clearing the ivy on the fencing on their border. The poor condition of a memorial seat in the Burial Ground was raised; contact details for the family will be investigated.

### NAYLAND POST OFFICE & SORTING OFFICE

Mary George said the future of Post Office services in the village could not be progressed until the notice of resignation by the postmistress had been received. The PC has been advised that following closure of the Sorting Office, Nayland will be serviced by the office in Sudbury; Royal Mail have advised that Nayland residents shouldn't notice a change in the postal service.

### PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The Election of the Parish Council was uncontested and there are two vacancies. The old Council retire on 9th May and the first meeting of the new Council is on 10th May. The retiring Councillors – Ned Cartwright and Mary George - were thanked for all their hard work. Mary George is happy to continue with planting up the horse trough.



## Notes by observer of the annual meeting: 10th May 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)

### PUBLIC FORUM

Iain Wright, Chair of Village Hall Management, updated the meeting on the roof replacement project, grant applications and fundraising events; a Midsummer Prom in the Park concert on the evening of 24th June, an Afternoon Tea with Music on 7th July and a two-day Fun, Food & Music Festival on 16th & 17th September.

### PARISH COUNCIL

Officers were confirmed as follows: **Chairman** Robin Thorogood (on rotation with Laura Erith), **Vice Chair** Dawn Harris.

Sub-committees were confirmed - as included on page 7.

**Village Hall representative** Dawn Harris; **Community Council representative** Laura Erith, Sam Treharne

Tricia Fuller pointed out that councillors would benefit from attending training sessions on planning matters.

### PC WEBSITE

Debbie Hattrell asked councillors to check the current PC website to check details are correct and to consider if any other content is required.

### NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

It was noted that the CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) had increased substantially; this had enabled funding for improvements to the playground. Additional CIL funds were a result of development which had taken place in the Parish. It was noted also that if the parish had a Neighbourhood Plan the percentage of CIL money would have been in the region of 25% more.

Discussing the issues around developing a Neighbourhood Plan Debbie Hattrell pointed out the process is easier than it used to be; the PC previously decided they could pursue establishing a Plan. The other local parishes for which Debbie is Clerk have or are finalising Neighbourhood Plans (as do most of our neighbouring parishes). In order to produce a plan it is necessary to attract several enthusiastic volunteers with a committed leader, engage consultants to help guide them; some artwork and gathering of data is required. This would need to be done in conjunction with the PC. Grants are available to cover costs. If anyone feels they could be lead or be part of a team taking this on please get in touch with the PC.

### PLANNING

Councillors heard that no planning applications had been granted permission since the last PC meeting.

Discussing recent applications councillors had no objections for listed building consent at **Hill House 11 Gravel Hill [DC/23/00813]** for replacement/repair roof tiles (4 sections), and insertion of 3 windows within the roof slope or at **Nutley Grange Bures Road [DC/23/01964]** for continued occupation of dwelling without compliance with an agricultural occupancy condition.

Between meetings councillors submitted comments relating to amendments to the application at **Site Adjacent Paddock Grove [DC/22/06294]** for construction of 5 dwellings. The PC acknowledge some of the revisions but their reasons for objection have not been substantially addressed: the mass and density represents overdevelopment of the site; 2018 Housing Needs Survey showed 4 bed properties were not required; plots 3/4/5 are 3 storey and have an urban appearance not in keeping with the setting; The openness onto the busy A134 would bring challenges in relation to safety and appearance; all the proposed dwellings face east. A lower number of properties with a Paddock Grove frontage would not overlook Wiston Road dwellings.

A letter was sent to SCC Highways relating to their response to a planning application at **Land Adjacent to Nayland Primary School [DC/22/05339]** for a single storey detached dwelling on the site in front of the Old Scout Hut. Their submission appeared to consider the entrance to the property joins a public highway; this is not the case. No reply has been received; the PC have alerted Babergh planning to this point.

### MEETING WITH BABERGH DC

Following correspondence expressing concern to Babergh

regarding their planning decisions a meeting was held in Nayland on 5th May with representatives of the PC, Conservation Society and from Babergh: Philip Isbell Chief Planning Officer, Mark Russell Area Planning Manager, Simon Bailey Heritage and Planning Compliance Officer.

Updating councillors on the meeting Tricia Fuller said Babergh acknowledged that mistakes had been made, particularly in relation to 100 Bear Street and the Paddock Grove development. When concerns were raised regarding the possibility of similar issues with the new application for dwellings adjacent to Paddock Grove councillors were assured Babergh will ensure legal restrictions are in place to prevent a reoccurrence.

Councillors appreciated Babergh officers coming out to Nayland; they felt this had been a successful outcome to their joint concerns with the Conservation Society and were pleased Babergh have offered a direct contact for the PC so that any future queries or controversial issues can be raised directly with planning officers.

### HIGHWAYS

Updating the meeting on the 20mph zone/speed limit proposal James Finch said the survey data has been received. He is not convinced a restriction is warranted; there is no evidence such as accident reports; taking the proposal forward would require funding and he cannot justify spending public money in view of this especially as the result of the expenditure is not known. Mike Hunter asked for clarification going forward; James Finch advised that he would step aside if the PC wish to pursue this proposal further. Gerry Battye suggested there may be other methods of speed control that could be taken. This will be an agenda item next month.

An issue of the bollards on the A134 which do not light up at night was raised at the Parish Assembly, this was reported. James Finch will look into this.

### A LASTING ROYAL MEMORIAL

Permission for a memorial tree and bench to commemorate the late Queen and the new King is in place. The PC will now look at exact location, design, sources and cost for this project and liaise with the PC's grounds maintenance contractors.

### BOTTLE BANK PROVISION

Following up from an enquiry about provision of a bottle bank in the village councillors discussed the practicalities involved; historically no suitable location in Nayland had been identified. It was pointed out that it would need to be on hard standing, it would require broken glass to be swept up and be in a location that the collection vehicles could access. Issues regarding the need of a bottle bank and nearby residents' amenity would need consideration. Debbie Hattrell said the first step needed was to pin point a feasible potential location; check it would be viable for the collection vehicles. If that was the case the matter could be discussed with the VPMC and then further considerations given to the proposal.

### DOG WASTE BINS

It was confirmed the edge of the turning circle on the Fairfield would be a serviceable location for a dog waste bin. Following a complaint the new bin on Fen Street will be moved once a new location is confirmed; a new location is still being considered. The possibility of a dog waste bin at the village hall was also discussed; once a potential location is identified Debbie will check it would be viable for the collection vehicles. If it is feasible the VPMC will be contacted and residents' views would be considered.

### IN BRIEF

Newly elected District Councillor, Isabelle Reece, attended the meeting and introduced herself to councillors.

New members of the Caley Green working party would update the meeting next month.

A meeting of the Fairfield working party would be held to finalise plans, consider the siting of the basket swing and trampoline in terms of safety, and maintenance of the new equipment.

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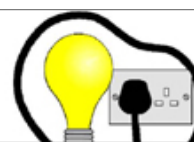
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# NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

Notes by observer at the meeting : 22nd March 2023

The Chairman, Robin Thorogood, welcomed everyone to the meeting (22 councillors and residents). He reported that Patricia Wilkie had stepped down and thanked her for her hard work, but said she would continue to sit on Caley Green Working Party. The Council had gained 2 more councillors, Samantha Treharne and Owen Brown, recently moved to Nayland.

## REPORTS

**Suffolk County Councillor** James Finch and **Babergh District Councillor** Melanie Barrett were not present; their reports were read and are available to view on the Parish Council's webpages.

**Village Hall Management Committee** Chairman, Iain Wright, said more money was needed for the village hall roof. The VPMC was applying for additional grants from several sources including the Platinum Jubilee Village Hall Fund; Babergh District Council CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) and Community Grants; the National Lottery. The recent Beatles Night had been very successful. The next fundraiser will be a Midsummer concert with an orchestra playing popular classics, then an afternoon Tea on 7th July and a Fun Food & Music Festival on the 16th/17th September.

**Love, Caley & Walsh Trust:** Gerry Battye explained that in 1973 Mrs Violet Walsh of Stourbank willed £1,000 upon trust for the Parish Council to invest for the aged poor of Nayland and Wiston, the income from which to be distributed each year at Christmas as they saw fit. Current trustees were G Battye, Mrs P Fuller, Mrs M Drew-Knight, Miss K Hunt, Mrs R Knox. It has become increasingly difficult to identify the recipients and the trustees had become concerned that the money was not being used in line with Mrs Walsh's bequest. The procedure continued until last year. Following a meeting with the Vicar and members of the Pantry & Hardship Fund it was agreed the trustees should obtain Charity Commissioners approval for the re-wording of the charity. It was decided that the income would no longer be granted specifically to the aged but all recipients must live in the parish of Nayland and Wissington. The trustees would remain answerable to the Charity Commissioners. £900 therefore has been transferred to the Pantry & Hardship Fund. A member of the public was concerned that Mrs Walsh's family should be made aware of this change and offered to provide contact details to the trustees.

## PARISH COUNCIL REPORTS

**Finance:** The Precept meeting had decided on 1.9 increase, much lower than current inflation rate.

**Planning:** A meeting with Babergh officers has been requested by the PC and Conservation Society to discuss their concerns

regarding planning decisions and enforcement matters.

**Allotments:** Meetings had been held with tenants. Inspections would be taking place as some plots are not being maintained. Twenty small trees, obtained from Babergh were planted to commemorate the Queen's reign. The Best Kept Allotment competition judging will take place in July.

**Burial Ground:** Mary George said trees were inspected every two years; trees at the far end were to be pollarded. Damage to the burial ground wall had been reported to Babergh DC. The Jane Walker crosses were to be replaced; the previous memorial made by Stuart Pickup fell into disrepair and was removed. A working party hoped to find the history of some of the patients.

**Fairfield:** Gerry Battye said following the death of Margaret Underwood, a well loved Nayland teacher, her family wished to provide a lasting memorial to her in the form of play equipment. Consultation with the users of the play park, the school and Woodland Corner revealed a trampoline and basket swing would be popular. A metal safety gate, safety surfacing etc would also be included in the Council's improvement plan for the area, to be paid for by Council's funds and the family's donation.

**Caley Green:** Mary George said there had been little progress because of poor communication with SCC, owners of the green. However a meeting was now scheduled with Matthew Lee, Properties Officer for 25th March.

**Conservation Society, 20 mph speed limit:** Mike Hunter confirmed the recent speed tests carried out by SCC to ascertain whether the current traffic speed through the village met the criteria necessary for the Council to consider a 20 mph speed limit had been met. However, there had been changes to their policy and further tests would be necessary.

## QUESTIONS AND OBSERVATIONS

John Spooner pointed out that the traffic bollard lights on the A134 junction with Bear Street had been out for some weeks; he had reported this to Mr Finch. Mrs George said this would be reported direct to Highways.

Rachel Hitchcock thanked the Parish Council for all they do for the village. Chris Hunt said the Parish Council was the first port of call and it was appreciated they were working in difficult circumstances. He felt the village was not being served well by Babergh and County Councils.

The Chairman thanked all Parish Councillors, Parish Clerk and all representatives of village societies, including the Village Hall Management Committee, the Community Council and the Community Times.

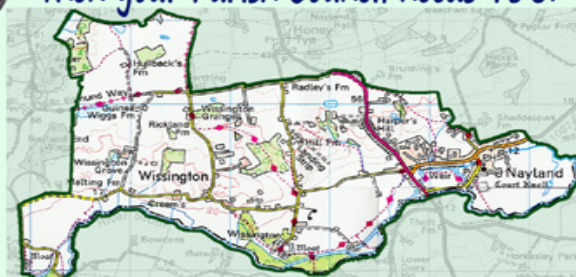
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Refuse (general rubbish) collection week

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[lauraerith@icloud.com](mailto:lauraerith@icloud.com)

Vice Chair: Dawn Harris

### WORKING PARTIES:

Allotments: Dawn Harris, Laura Erith, Patricia Wilkie

Burial Ground: Laura Erith, Owen Brown

Caley Green: Robin Thorogood, Owen Brown, Sally Dalton, Patricia Wilkie

Fairfield: Gerry Battye, Robin Thorogood, Dawn Harris

Finance: Robin Thorogood, Tricia Fuller, Laura Erith, Sam Trehame

Footpaths: Sally Bartrum (Footpath Warden)

Highways: All councillors with individual areas

Planning: All councillors

Trees: Terry Bannister (Tree Warden), all councillors

## COFFEE, CAKE & CONVERSATION



### Wednesday Coffee Mornings

10am to noon St James' Church

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



### James 'Jim' Turner

Irene and Francis would like to thank all family, friends and neighbours for the cards, flowers and support following the sad loss of James.

**NAYLAND OPEN GARDENS**  
SUNDAY 4th June

**CANCELLED**

Village Hall  
£5 (children free)  
in advance from:  
[www.naylandevents.org](http://www.naylandevents.org)  
or cash only on the day  
at the Gardens or Hall  
[www.naylandconservation.org.uk](http://www.naylandconservation.org.uk)

## WISTON CHURCH PORCH BOOKS - 4 for £1 !

There is a large selection of second-hand books for sale in the church porch at St Mary's, Wiston.

Maybe take a pleasurable walk along the footpath past the church and call into the church porch and browse through the books ~ autobiographies, cookery, children's, fiction, non-fiction..... ~

Donations of books are welcome; in the clearly signed metal box in the Wiston church car park at Newtons Farm before you reach the church.

## NAYLAND COMMUNITY PANTRY VOLUNTEER WANTED

Is there anyone in Nayland who would like to help with the Community Pantry?

We are now so busy in Nayland that an extra pair of hands is needed, particularly to take charge of the monthly bulk orders as well as helping out at other times with holiday or emergency cover. If you are looking for a volunteering opportunity, then this is a hands-on way of benefitting people in your local community. It would normally entail only a few hours a month but could be more if you wanted to be part of the small team helping to keep the pantry as well-stocked as possible on a day-to-day basis. A certain amount of lifting and carrying is necessary, as well as the use of a car.

If you are interested, please email

[jaywilson6988@gmail.com](mailto:jaywilson6988@gmail.com)

- we look forward to hearing from you!

## COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT

**Annual General Meeting: 3rd May 2023    Chair: Rachel Hitchcock 263169**  
**[www.naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk](http://www.naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk)**

Rachel Hitchcock welcomed members to the meeting.

**Executive Committee:** Rachel Hitchcock advised that although Heike Ellwood was unable to attend this evening she was willing to join the Exec. Members were delighted and look forward to welcoming Heike at the next meeting.

**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 by Jo Metson and Dawn Harris with back up from Rachel who will be the link with the Community Heartbeat Trust (CHT) making sure our subscription and equipment is up to date. The pads will need replacing later on this year and the battery has just been replaced (covered by our annual subscription).

In March a weekly status check showed that the battery wasn't working; a report was submitted, alerting the ambulance service the defibrillator was inactive, it was reported to CHT. Within a few days a new battery was fitted and the defibrillator working properly again. Battery life is usually 5 years and this was the case with this battery; we will order a new battery in the months leading up to the battery reaching that age.

Rachel and Tracy Le Grys have looked into putting on another first aid course; they are not currently being run by the trainers used previously but when they resume arrangements will be made. Alternatively, we could ask CHT.

It has been suggested that a community access defibrillator for Wiston may be beneficial as minutes matter. CHT have advised that grants are now very limited. It was suggested a central location for siting a defibrillator may be by the PC notice board however electricity supply may be an issue. Rachel will look further into all aspects regarding this proposal. If this comes to fruition the next training session could take place once it is installed.

**River Stour Water Level Gauge:** Rachel Hitchcock has been unable to successful contact Dale Leeks to progress this project. Sally Dalton will try other methods to contact Dale to check he is still willing to take this job on, and ask him to respond.

**Nayland 10k Fun Run:** [nayland10k.co.uk](http://nayland10k.co.uk) The date will be Sunday 9th July 2023. As usual about 30 volunteers from the Nayland community would be welcome to help with marshalling from about 9.30-11.30am; there is a feel-good vibe and volunteers as well as runners enjoy the event. Please contact Luke 07598 821663 [rumbelow2000@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rumbelow2000@yahoo.co.uk) or Rachel Hitchcock 263169 [rachel\\_hitchcock@hotmail.com](mailto:rachel_hitchcock@hotmail.com) if you can help.

**Online Ticketing Facility:** [NaylandEvents.org](http://NaylandEvents.org) – This is going from strength to strength. If village organisations wish to use this facility to sell tickets for their events contact Justin Dowding at [jpdowding@gmail.com](mailto:jpdowding@gmail.com).

**Village Hall Gardening Morning:** A small group of volunteers, donated tools for the spring gardening session held on 1st April. ATS Skips kindly donated a skip which was very helpful.

**King Charles III's Coronation: Sunday 7th May a Picnic on Webb's Meadow/Village Hall from 12-3.30pm (as part of the nationwide 'Big Lunch').** Following an appeal for volunteers to co-ordinate an event Kathy Hunt put herself forward but further help was needed. The Baby & Toddler Group will have their play equipment out and will make flags and crowns with children (cost £22.25 - Matt to reimburse). Chris Hunt will be on the microphone. Lorraine has compiled a little Royal themed quiz, Nayland photo quiz and wordsearch – answers will be posted on [naylandandwiston.net](http://naylandandwiston.net) in the late afternoon, just after the event. Adults and children will be encouraged to dress up and a children's parade held with gifts for all children participating.

There will be spot prizes for stand out items, such as, outfits, headwear, cupcakes, picnic or other things seen. Rachel has purchased chocolate medals for children and shortbread biscuits for adults. Rachel has booked Punch 'n' Judy and a Circus Workshop (magic tricks inside if weather is bad) and an Ice Cream van. Tea/coffee/biscuits will be served. Bunting will decorate the hall/field and background music will add to the atmosphere (Iain is providing the equipment, Rachel has bought CDs). The bunting will be put up from 10am on Sunday 7th. If weather is bad tables will be put out in the hall.

The Coronation Peal of St James' bells will take place at 9.30am on Saturday 6th May.

**Queen Elizabeth II and King Charles III commemorative feature:** This is a Parish Council project, however, they sought our suggestions for a feature to commemorate the late Queen and the coronation of the new King. The consensus was for a specimen tree of stature with plaque for the late Queen and a bench and plaque for the new King on Caley Green. SCC, as landowners of Caley Green, have given their approval so the PC can take this forward.

**Village Hall Roof Project: Grant funding & fundraising events.** Iain Wright updated details of fundraising events which will be: on Saturday 24th June a 'Midsummer Prom in the Park' concert with a 15-piece orchestra, on Friday 7th July a 'Vintage Afternoon Tea with Music', on the weekend of 16th & 17th September a 'Fun Food and Music' event which will incorporate Woodland Corner's 'Inflatable Day'. The Beatles Night on 4th March was very successful raising £2,420.

Regarding grants for the roof project Iain said they have encouraging support from the National Lottery who wish to visit the hall.

**Nayland Post Office:** The PO and Sorting Office will be closing later this year. The PC are in contact with Royal Mail and Post Office Counters; they will keep Rachel informed if there is anything that the CC can usefully do to support ensuring some form of future post office provision. Once the current postmistress' retirement is confirmed the Network Design Department will examine provision in the whole area and decide what options are possible for Nayland. If sale or lease of business and premises is not an option, they could look at outreach provisions. This could involve a 'pop up' counter, perhaps at a hall, on the route of an existing postmaster who does outreach already. Royal Mail have advised that we'll now be serviced by the sorting office in Sudbury and assured the PC that Nayland residents shouldn't otherwise notice a change in the service received from Royal Mail.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Matt Cable gave his report to 3rd May. **Breakdown of profits:** Community Times £367.50, Quiz £564.44, £89.19 deposit interest. **Grants:** Nayland Bear £100. **Current Position:** The accounts show reserves of £27,020.25 represented by Deposit a/c monies £10,923.25, Current a/c monies £15,413.07, Cash in Hand £683.93. 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. **Therefore, unencumbered assets are £16,318.75.**

### GRANTS & DONATIONS:

**Nayland First Responders:** for additional Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) and equipment to share among the increased number of responders on duty. Cost £2,165. It was agreed to award this grant.

**Community Times & Websites:** Lorraine Brooks thanked all for contributing to recent issues. There have been some new advertising enquiries.

**Village Calendar:** Lorraine Brooks said this year's photographic competition to generate images for the calendar was held over the weekend of 29th April - 1st May and 200 fabulous photos



*Community Council report continued.....*

were submitted by 30 participants. The display was available to view online and 25 people (44 last year, 37 in 2021) voted for their favourite scenes. We are grateful to the sponsors; 10 have confirmed. Lorraine will now assemble the calendar and Wendy Sparrow will write the captions. Laura Erith and Jo Metson kindly offered to help with proofreading.

Once the calendars are printed sales will begin at the Flower Show. Wendy Sparrow will as usual deal with sales from some local shops and events. The closure of the PO will affect sales. Claire Buller kindly agreed to help with some errands involved. At the next meeting it hoped to have volunteers come forward to maximise sales at village events, venues and other opportunities. Suggestions and help with this would be much appreciated.

#### SOCIETY REPORTS

**HortSoc:** Trevor Smy said the Morning Market (sale of plants, cakes, refreshment and raffle) will be on Saturday 13th May, 9.30am, Church Hall. They are introducing a 'Tallest Sunflower Competition' to the Summer Flower Show; further seedlings will be available free at the Morning Market for residents of all ages to participate. Bookings are being taken for the coach outing to Bressingham Steam & Gardens on 21st June.

Trevor expressed concern at the level of support at recent events; they had very poor support for their spring speaker and attendance for the Spring Show and AGM & Fun Quiz was not encouraging. Membership (which is just £3, or £5 for joint) is considerably depleted. The current number of bookings for the coach outing is a concern as HortSoc cannot continue to run at a loss.

**Friends of Caley Green:** Sally Dalton reported that they continue to keep an eye on the Green. There have been some incidents of people not picking up after their dogs which they are monitoring and erection of banners without permission which they have taken down following consultation with the PC. The cygnets of the river swans have hatched.

**First Responders:** Tracy Le Grys reported that they have a new person doing their training this month and will soon have 5 fully trained first responders in the group. This will enable us to give even more cover to the local area.

Tracy has kindly offered to be on call, via her mobile number, if any help with first aid is needed during the Coronation Picnic on 7th May.

**Parish Council:** Laura Erith said attendance at their Annual Parish Assembly had been disappointing; they will make greater effort to encourage attendance next year. The meeting covered councillors' reports on the previous year and took questions from residents. There was a complaint regarding the siting of a new dog bin; this will be removed and an alternative site considered. The election was uncontested and two councillors, Mary George and Ned Cartwright, are stepping down. They are two councillors short so once again on the recruitment programme but with Owen Brown and Sam Treharne joining the average age is now considerably lower than previously. Following concerns raised by the PC and Conservation Society regarding planning decisions a meeting with Babergh Planning Officers will take place in Nayland on 5th May.

**St James Church:** Chris Hunt said the concerts held in the church continue to be successful and help raise money towards church projects. There are a number of repairs needed in the church; its upkeep is costly. The Fete was once again successful. The new Chairman of the Friends of St James is Cameron Craig. The Wednesday Coffee Mornings continue to be popular. He was pleased to say that the developing bellringing team will be able to ring a Peal for the Coronation.

**Land Company (Nayland Meadow):** David Slater said they hoped people enjoyed the encouraging display of cowslips on the wildflower belt of the Meadow. The shepherd, Trevor Street, wished to keep his ewes closer to home during lambing this year; with lambing nearing completion it's anticipated he will soon be bringing some ewes and lambs down to graze the Meadow. Having been blessed with a long period of dry weather it enabled Danny Thurlow and his sons to complete the footpath improvements. Grass seed has been sown along the path.

The present surface is a great improvement on mud and has been well received. The path will be given six months to settle, and if no problems occur by autumn they would like to consider doing further stretches of the path next year if finance is available.

**Royal British Legion:** Robert Dossor said that the Nayland branch are keen to encourage new membership and interest in their activities. We are not 'old men with medals' and take an interest in many non-political local matters, although with a slant towards things military and, of course Remembrance. They are pleased that Kathy Hunt has agreed to be their new Secretary.

Their last meeting heard about a young Naval officer's experiences in the Falklands and our next one on 22nd May in the Village Hall will hear from the navigator of a nuclear submarine and his actions on deployment at the time of the Falklands war. This meeting is open to anyone and will not contain RBL business. Our 2023 visit is to Suffolk County Council's "Energy from Waste" plant on 12th July and the September speaker will be David Pryor, a retired forensic pathologist.

**AOB: Support and Participation of Parish Organisations and Events:** Concern has been raised recently by a number of village organisations regarding reduced participation in their activities and the reduced number of volunteers coming forward. It was suggested that this is sadly a nationwide trend; life is busier generally, people need to work longer hours and for a greater number of years; grandparents frequently become child minders. It seems also to be the case that since Covid people are out of the habit of participating and socialising. Any thoughts or ideas would be welcome.

**NEXT MEETING:** will be on **Wednesday 5th July** in the Church Hall at 8pm with Exec at 7.30pm.

NAYLAND VILLAGE HALL FUNDRAISER

# MIDSUMMER PROM IN THE PARK

Saturday 24th June 2023



Featuring the East Anglian Festival Orchestra  
with Emma Bishton (soprano)  
playing popular classics

Nayland Village Hall Field CO6 4JH  
Doors Open 6.30pm - Music begins 7.15pm

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Tickets: Adults over 21 £15, 5-21s £5, under 5s free  
Available online via: [naylandevents.org](http://naylandevents.org)  
or at Mill Street Store & Deli, Nayland Post Office and Forget Me Not





## NAYLAND FETE:

It was lovely to see so many people at the Fete, Monday 1st May. The weather forecast was typical spring, with talk of showers and sun, but apart from a huge downpour at 1pm, just as it officially opened, it remained dry and business continued as usual!

The Victory Jazz Band played through the rain and entertained the crowds all afternoon. If you attended the fete, you may have read their bio in our programme and already know that the longest serving members have been playing together for 40 years!

As well as our usual selection of inflatable slides, coconut shy, sponge throw and face painting, to name a few, this year we were visited by a small petting farm and cuddle corner. With guinea pigs and rabbits to cuddle and goats and a pony to pat, this was very popular.

Homemade teas were served all afternoon in the village hall and on the field, hot dogs, burgers and vegan alternatives were available at the BBQ. With cakes and ice creams for those with a sweet tooth, and soft drinks, beer and Pimm's, there was something for everyone.

The large selection of vintage cars were joined by vintage tractors this year, restored and shown by enthusiasts and it was interesting to read stories of some of the cars on display in the programme. One of the cars, a maroon Frazer Nash le Mans Mark 2, raced at the British Grand Prix as well as the Monaco Grand Prix and is still being raced, the latest race being at the Goodwood's Members Meeting this year.

As usual, there were plenty of items available to buy, from vintage to handbags, china and glass and toys, all beautifully displayed by the amazing volunteers.

The fete could not possibly go ahead without an amazing team of people, that prepare, carry, cook, clean, build, organise and help on the day. It is really appreciated and a thank you party was enjoyed at the Church later in the week.

As a result of all this hard work, our sponsors and the visitors that attended and enjoyed the day, an incredible profit in excess of £15,000 has been raised.

Finally, we would just like to let you know that next year the fete will be held on Monday 6 May 2024 and that you can find out more or contact us on our Facebook page, Nayland Village Fete.

See you then!



### FISHING ROD LICENCES

A valid rod licence must be carried if you are aged 13 or over and fish for salmon, trout, freshwater fish, smelt or eel or you could be prosecuted and you can be fined up to £2,500.

A yearly 2-rod course fishing licence costs: £33 for adults, £22 for over 65 or the disabled and is free for 13-16 year olds. 1-day or 8-day licences are also available.

Licences can be purchased at Post Offices, online at <https://www.gov.uk/fishing-licences/buy-a-fishing-licence> or by telephone to the Environment Agency fishing licence service on 0344 800 5386



All craft must be registered to take to the water on any part of the Inland Waterway network of England. The Environment Agency takes enforcement action if it finds any boat moored or in use if it is not displaying a current, valid registration plate.

The **River Stour Trust** can issue craft registrations on behalf of the Environment Agency. Registered craft are permitted to travel the whole length of the Stour Navigation, from Brundon Mill to Cattawade. The annual fee (1 Apr 2023 - 31 Mar 2024) is £47.70 per private unpowered craft. Monthly and weekly licences are available. Register at: <https://www.riverstourtrust.org/boat-trips/paddling-the-river-stour/craft-registrations/>

Alternatively, membership of **British Canoeing** includes a licence for many waterways in England. They have a number of membership plans: individual adult costs £47. Membership covers the member and not the craft.

Join at <https://www.britishcanoeing.org.uk/>

Wherever you obtain your licence you need to carry proof with you when you paddle; if you don't have proof when you're asked you could face a hefty fine.



## NAYLAND CORONATION PICNIC



The weather was kind (much kinder than it had been for King Charles III's Coronation on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May) for the Coronation Picnic on Webb's Meadow at the Village Hall on the Sunday.



It was a lovely, informal and jolly get together with about 150 gaily dressed villagers turning out to enjoy the sunshine and the lovely community atmosphere.

A huge thank you to all helpers for their efforts leading up to and at the Coronation Picnic and of course to everyone that came along.

### CORONATION FUN QUIZ ANSWERS

#### Royal Theme Quiz:

1. Queen Elizabeth II, 2. The Prince's Trust, 3. George, Charlotte, Louis, Archie and Lilibet, 4. 27, 5. Lilibet, 6. Britannia, 7. Balmoral Castle, 8. Gordonstoun, 9. Princess Anne, 10. Zara Tindall, 11. 3pm, 12. Sandringham, Norfolk, 13. A Christmas pudding, 14. Princess Margaret to Antony Armstrong-Jones on 6 May 1960, 15. Myrtle, 16. St Andrew's, 17. Wombat, 18. Bowes-Lyon, 19. She is her great-great granddaughter, 20. Malta, 21. Edward VIII, 22. Queen Victoria, 23. Palace of Holyroodhouse, Edinburgh, 24. Windsor Castle, 25. Henry VIII, 26. Divorced, beheaded, died, divorced, beheaded, survived, 27. Mary Queen of Scots, 28. Queen Victoria and Prince Consort Albert, 29. James I, 30. Richard I, 31. India, 32. The Great Exhibition of 1851, 33. John Brown, 34. 8, 35. Æthelstan (895-939 AD) of the House of Wessex, 36. Alfred the Great, 37. George I, 38. Henry VII, 39. King Henry VIII's waist, 40. Trooping of the Colour

#### Multiple Choice:

1. Bagpipes, 2. Alexandra Mary, 3. Saxe-Coburg, 4. Mechanic in the ATS, 5. Mayfair, 6. Greek Royal Family, 7. 25 feet, 8. Bertie, 9. George V in 1917, 10. Nell Gwynn, 11. Alexandrina, 12. Westminster Abbey, 13. The Christian World, 14. Christmas Day 1066, 15. Wessex

#### Think You Know Nayland Photo Quiz:

1 'Green Man' central span of roof beam in St James  
2 'Abell Bridge', aka Anchor bridge  
3 Bench dedicated to Lt. Charles F Gumm, High Street  
4 Roof and weathercock at Jane Walker Park  
5 Horse Watering sign, Bear Street  
6 Wall at Village Hall, Fen Street house in background  
7 St Mary's Church, Wiston  
8 Horsecwatering & bridge to Lock Cottage, Bear Street  
9 Star Alley; connecting Bear Street to Birch Fall  
10 St James' gateway towards Alston Court  
11 Stone Wall of Bear House, Bear Street  
12 Congregational Church Stoke Road



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## SUMMER HOLIDAY FUNSHINE CLUB

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# Nayland & District Horticultural Society

# SUMMER FLOWER SHOW



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Admission 50p - Opening 2pm, Prize Giving 4.30pm

*Classes for: Vegetables, Fruit, Flowers, Flower Arranging, Cookery, Preserves, Country Drinks, Art & Craft, Photography, Children's & Family's Sections - Entries in by 3rd August.*

Show schedules available at Nayland shops, Trevor 01206 262022 or at [www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk](http://www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk)



Nayland & District Horticultural Society

**COMPETITIONS FOR:**

## Tallest Parish HOLLYHOCK

## Tallest SUNFLOWER

Be on the lookout around the village  
This is a fun competition for all ages.

- The Hollyhock of any variety can be located anywhere accessible in the parish; not necessarily grown by the entrant.
- Entry forms should give the measured height of the hollyhock plant and a photo of the plant should be submitted with the form.
- The tallest entries will then be verified before final judging.

Why not join the friendly rivalry?  
Fun for all ages; families can work together.

- The Sunflower – variety Titan and supplied as seed or seedling by HortSoc – to be grown by the entrant
- Entry forms should give the measured height of your sunflower plant and a photo of the plant should be submitted with the form.
- The tallest entries will then be verified before final judging.

Entries to be submitted to Star Cottage, 81 Bear Street, Nayland by Saturday 29th July.  
Photographs of entries will be on display at the Flower Show on 5th August and prizes awarded at the Show.



## Sunflower & Hollyhock Competition Entry Form

Name: ..... Signed: .....

*I HEREBY DECLARE THAT: THE SUNFLOWER HAS BEEN GROWN BY ME, THE HOLLYHOCK WAS PHOTOGRAPHED BY ME*

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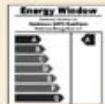


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Comedy  
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FROM STEVEN SPIELBERG

**Friday 23rd June**

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Drama  
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Starts 2pm Doors open 1.30pm

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**Sunday 9th July**

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Romance  
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# EMPIRE of LIGHT

A FILM BY SAM MENDES

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**Friday 28th July**



## 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 QUALITY

As can be seen in the photograph (right) a resident noticed a brown/beige scum on the surface of the river at Caley Green and reported it to the EA on 17th April.

Although an EA representative did not visit, Ben Marshall, Senior Environment Officer responded: *"The brown scum in your photo appears to be a naturally occurring algal scum that is very common on our rivers at this time of year as temperatures rise and sunlight increases."*

## WATER LEVELS

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

The Fennages and fields on the Essex side of the village have as usual had spells of flooding this spring; as revealed in the Nayland Weather Summary on page 35, it has been a rather wet spring. On the positive side, hopefully this will have replenished the groundwater chalk aquifer after last year's drought. Let's hope too that there were the 'right kind of river flows' during winter/spring to enable extraction to replenish the levels at Abberton Reservoir too. On enquiry at Abberton on (18th May) they said levels are good.

## REED GROWTH AT THE WEIR

The reeds have started into growth again; they stretch three quarters of the way across the head of the weir; it's likely to extend all the way across this year if there is no intervention. The EA are the riparian owners of the weir and it is their responsibility. Despite requests from residents, assurances and indications that some reed management would take place at Nayland Weir in 2022 this did not happen. Their excuse was it is not a flood risk - many disagree this that! What will this year bring?

## WILDFOWL & SWANS

As the Friends of Caley Green have reported the river swans have eight cygnets which are doing well. However, that was very nearly not the case for one young cygnet which was rescued by Ray Spencer. The cygnet was hooked when two lads were spinning for pike; they cut their line and ran off. Ray managed to catch the cygnet, remove the hook and all the line and reunite it with its parents.

## FISHING SEASON

There were incidents of fishing tackle (including pike hooks) being discarded on Caley Green in May. Bearing this in mind and the above incident with the cygnet, it seems a reminder is needed regarding the **fishing closed season**. While fishing can be done on stillwaters (lakes, reservoirs, etc) all year round you cannot fish on rivers from the 15 March to 15 June.

Licences are required when freshwater fishing in a river with a rod and line. For children aged between 13 and 16 a rod licence is still required but they are free. A fine of up to £2,500 can be imposed!

## RIVERCRAFT LICENCES

Anglers are not the only ones that need a licence in order to enjoy recreational use of our waterways. For those who were unaware all craft must be registered to take to the water on any part of the inland waterway network of England.

**Further details regarding fishing rod and river craft licences can be found on page 10**



Thank you to Gill Boardman for sending this photo and raising awareness of this incidence of scum on the river.



Thank you to Nayland House for taking this lovely photo on one of their regular visits with residents to Caley Green. One of these delightfully cute cygnets is very lucky to still be with us following an incident down by the weir!



## WHAT ARE YOUR MEMORIES OF THE RIVER STOUR IN NAYLAND IN 1975?

As many will be aware the saga over the very poor maintenance and navigability of the river through the Nayland stretch has become of considerable concern to many residents. The EA have professed several excuses when approached by residents, the Parish Council and by the CT. Often this involves a statement claiming that it is better for the environment and wildlife and that it does not pose a flood risk. Many disagree with their statements!

A lesser well used statement by the EA is regarding their statutory obligation under the 1977 Anglian Water Authority Act section 8. For the "Maintenance of navigations it states that *"The Authority" shall take such steps as are reasonably practicable to maintain the main navigation channels and navigation works of the waterways specified in Schedule 1 to this Act to at least as good a standard for the purpose of navigation by pleasure boats as that to which they were maintained in the period of nine months immediately preceding 8th December, 1975.*"

### HOW CAN YOU HELP?

So how can we, in Nayland, amass and adduce evidence as to the standard of navigation in that 9 month window?

1. Photographic evidence
2. Statements confirming the photographs show the condition of the river at that time
3. Statements, without photographs, describing how the river was materially wider than it is now

### PHOTOS

Following a previous appeal in the CT we have a few photographs taken during and after that period. However, more taken during the 70s would be very useful so if you have not previously looked in your old photo archives please do.

### STATEMENTS

It is hoped we could back photographic evidence up with statements by some of those who were living in the village at the time confirming that the photographs show how it looked in 1975. This may also involve having points along the river measured and asking a number of residents to give confirmatory statements that the width was greater in 1975.

## CALEY GREEN

The Friends continue to keep an eye on the Green and the wildfowl. The daffodils provided spring cheer at this entrance to the village; this was followed by a charming display of the perennial cowslips and more recently the buttercups.

With the arrival of better weather more residents and visitors have been getting out to enjoy the Green in many ways. It is lovely to see the residents of Nayland House making the most of it and taking some lovely photos. Fairweather river users are also back enjoying the recreational value.

There are very few reports of littering in the Green and any are quickly cleared by the Friends and other conscientious residents. However, it has recently been noticed that a couple of people have not been picking up after their dogs; it's hoped they will do so in future.

### RIVERBANK PROTECTION UPDATE

As reported previously specialist contractors have provided advice on the best solution to prevent further erosion; the consensus was to install replacement wooden revetment round the whole of the bay area. The Parish Council passed this information on to the Suffolk County Council (SCC) Properties Officer; he is now in positive discussion with senior colleagues regarding availability of funding.

### THE LONG REED BED

The situation with the 'wall of reeds' remains extremely disappointing. The patience of residents is wearing thin with the lack of action by SCC, particularly as indications that some of the tall Norfolk reeds would be cut during 2022 did not materialise. The Community Times is now in direct contact



Further statements describing how the river was then may be useful – if it was wider/deeper, enabled greater leisure use and navigation, etc. For example, use of rowing boats, swimming, diving and other activities that required good width and depth. Anything that goes some way to prove the river was a good navigable standard at that time.

So if you have any photographs which could provide evidence of the condition of the river in the period during and either side of 1975 please let Lorraine know at [lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com](mailto:lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com) or 262807.

If you have memories of the appearance, or more importantly uses of the river which indicated a wider and deeper river please also get in touch.

It is hoped evidence can be amassed to back up the argument in this ongoing battle with the EA.

with the SCC Properties Officer. Disappointingly he could not offer progress just prior to this issue going to print, but he will be asked regularly for updates on progress. A future management plan for control of the reeds is also requested.

### LASTING MEMORIAL ON THE GREEN

With the permission of SCC given for siting a specimen tree of stature on Caley Green to commemorate the late Queen and close by a bench and plaque for the new King this project is now in the hands of the Parish Council. They are considering the exact positioning, design, sources and cost for this project and they will liaise with the PC's grounds maintenance contractors.

### THE CULVERT

Clearance of the ditch and repair of the fence by SCC still hasn't been done, however the works have been ordered with contractors.

Silt continues to accumulate in the mouth of the culvert as its escape into the river is blocked by excessive reed growth.

### RIVERBANK LITTER BY SLUICE GATES

It was established in 2022 that SCC were landowners of the triangle of land between the A134 and the fork in the river adjacent the sluice gates. They were alerted to a considerable amount of litter and flytipping. To give them their due they instructed contractors to clear the rubbish; they came on 17th October but it transpires they did not complete the task adequately. This is another matter now in the hands of the Properties Officer who has ordered contractors to revisit the site to complete the task, and he will check the work is done.



## SEE IT, SNAP IT, SEND IT



Thanks to Roy Clarke for recording in a photo that this year's 8 cygnets hatched on 1st May, and thanks to Mandy Cook who spotted them just 7 days later venturing out along the river to the delight of other river users.

As always thank you to Elaine Muskett and Di Green for hosting Nayland Bear and Fish during their visit for the Coronation celebrations.

Thank you to Nicky Blakebrough for taking this photo, and many others, of houses in Nayland gaily decorated for the King's Coronation.



### CORONATION PICNIC

Thank you to Leigh Sebba who captured the atmosphere at Nayland's Coronation Picnic; while many enjoyed delicious picnic fayre and a glass of celebratory fizz, others were looking back 71 years to the last Coronation, or making the most of the visiting ice cream van... or looking forward to sharing this wonderful dessert.





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



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[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).

### STEAM POWER

Here's something you don't often see at Nag's Corner. Spotted recently on its way from Hintlesham to Aldham – via the backroads!!

The engine was made by Ransomes of Ipswich in the first decade of the 20th century and according to the driver this would be its last journey on British coal. From now on all steam coal will have to be imported. Sign of the times I suppose!

**Chris Hunt**

### CHURCHYARD SPRING WORKING PARTY

After a week's awful weather these brave volunteers turned up on 11th March and worked wonders in the churchyard during a surprisingly good day. Let's hope for a normal summer after last year's drought.

**James Carver**



### COMMUNITY LITTERPICK

Many thanks to the 16 Nayland litter pick volunteers (some of whom are pictured here) and the 3 Wiston litter pick volunteers for participating in the village spring litter pick yesterday organised jointly by the Parish Council and the Conservation Society.

### CONSIDERATION WITH DRONES

There have unfortunately been a few complaints about drones flying over properties and frightening horses.

Many of us enjoy the results of photos generated by drones and most drone users do not breach aviation law which states flight should not occur where animals will be disturbed.

You must keep a minimum horizontal distance of 50m between your drone or model aircraft and people. This creates a no fly zone around people that goes all the way up to the legal height limit. It can help to think of this no fly zone as a cylinder.

[www.register-drones.caa.co.uk/drone-code/where-you-can-fly](http://www.register-drones.caa.co.uk/drone-code/where-you-can-fly)







# Nayland with Wissington Society News



## NAYLAND AND DISTRICT ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Chairman: Robert Dossor 265912 [robert@ovcottage.com](mailto:robert@ovcottage.com)

Secretary: Kathy Hunt 262014

The Nayland RBL are keen to encourage new membership and interest in our activities. We are not 'old men with medals' and take an interest in many non-political local matters, although with a slant towards things military and, of course Remembrance.

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

Our last meeting heard about a young Naval officer's experiences in the Falklands and our next one on 22nd May (*just after the CT went to print*) in the Village Hall will hear from the navigator of a nuclear submarine and his actions on deployment at the time of the Falklands war. This meeting is open to anyone and will not contain RBL business.

Our 2023 visit is to Suffolk County Council's "Energy from Waste" plant on 12th July and at the meeting on 11th September speaker will be David Pryor, a retired forensic pathologist.



## ST JAMES' CHURCH NAYLAND

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

We struggle on with ongoing services. The most popular event continues to be the Wednesday Coffee Morning. We look forward to warmer weather when perhaps tables and chairs can be set up outside.

The annual Church Fete was again a great day. A lot of hard work by the Fete committee goes into making this event the success it is; thank you to them all. Money raised at the Fete helps with maintaining the church. It may come as no surprise when I say that a 600 year old building does have structural problems which need constant attention – mainly from specialist contractors. It is estimated that some £50,000 to £60,000 will be needed over the next three years just to keep the building safe and weather proof. So, as they say, 'every little helps'.

At the recent Annual Parochial Church Meeting the new Parochial Church Council (PCC) was elected. What I mean is that those on the PCC said that they would stay! Two members did not stand; David Pryor and Anita George. David has given many years service to St James and he and Anita are to be thanked for their work. David remains a member of the ministry team.

It was noticed that only one member of the public turned up for the meeting. I believe only 13 attended the Parish Council's Annual Parish Assembly. If this is the interest shown by the village it makes one wonder if these organisations are worthwhile. Just saying.



## VILLAGE PLAYERS

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



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

Our spring play Alan Ayckbourn's '*Snake in the Grass*' directed by Chrissie Kettle was a big success. The cast of only three (as opposed to 27 for our pantomime!) didn't stop the adjudicator describing it as "a clear-cut piece of tense and often spooky story-telling, with beautiful fluctuations of mood and atmosphere."

Our AGM soon followed at the Church Hall and The Players are having a break now – but not for long. Auditions for our Christmas play '*Kidnapped at Christmas*' will be in July, ready for the stage in late November. *See page 32 for details*

On the social side, instead of our bi-monthly drinks (which would be on 6<sup>th</sup> July), we will be taking a boat from Sudbury down to the Henny Swan for lunch (and drinkies) on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>.

Then, after a quiet August, it will be back to it with our annual barbecue at the Eriths', the North Essex Theatre Guild awards (surely we must win something?) and on with rehearsals.

If you would like to join the Players, contact us on [www.villageplayers.co.uk](http://www.villageplayers.co.uk) or [markfrankrussell@gmail.com](mailto:markfrankrussell@gmail.com)

All the best!

## 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.





## THE FRIENDS OF CALEY GREEN

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The swans have had eight cygnets. They have left the nest and can be seen parading along the river and venturing onto the Green. The adults are proving to be good parents so far, very protective.

The recent good weather has brought back our regular river users including the schools. Residents have also been bringing chairs to sit in comfort and enjoy the lovely surroundings.

The cowslips put on quite a show this year, and have now been surpassed by a mass of yellow buttercups.

*Photo: The swans with their 10-day-old cygnets at Caley Green. Thanks to Nayland House for this photo taken on 10th May.*



## NAYLAND CHOIR

Cathy Allen Secretary

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Our last concert in April, Fauré's Requiem, was a pleasure to sing with such lovely accompaniment, which along with our three fabulous soloists really lifted the performance. And what a pleasure too, to perform to such an appreciative audience - many of whom hadn't been to a Nayland Choir performance before.

Our next concert, on Friday 14th July in Nayland Village Hall, is entitled 'Songs of Liberty', and as is now usual for our summer events, it'll be an evening of supper and song. As befits a performance on Bastille Day, we'll have a range of songs to sing from folk to opera to musical theatre, all within our theme of Liberty - should be something to suit all tastes!

We are pleased to have four new members on board this term, do all continue to spread the word to anyone who would like to try us. If you are interested in joining us you are welcome to come along to rehearsals on Thursday evenings in the Primary School hall at 8pm.

Tickets will be available shortly from the [www.naylandevents.org](http://www.naylandevents.org) website and Nayland Post office, priced at £15 each including a light supper (under 18's £5).



## FRIENDS OF WISTON CHURCH

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

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

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

Many kind individuals give £10-£20 a month (or £120-£240 annually). You can set up a regular subscription - and the amount is entirely up to you. As an alternative, if you might consider leaving a bequest in your will, please, feel free to get in touch to discuss it. The need to maintain the church fabric never stops - we'd be so grateful for anything you feel able to give - no matter how modest. If you can - please DONATE NOW and help support Wiston Church!



## NAYLAND ART GROUP

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We are continuing to enjoy our painting and other art projects; our most recent tutor-led session involved looking at and painting a photo of a street scene, using grids to position the architecture and learning to let go of 'stuff' i.e. to simplify the clutter in order to make a more pleasing and harmonious picture.

By the time this appears in the magazine, we will also have been to Clare to see an exhibition by the Society of East Anglian watercolourists.

We have been working on lots of different ideas of our own and the group are very supportive. We meet on Wednesday afternoons and are happy to hear from any would-be new members, whether a beginner or experienced. We pay £20 per half term but taster sessions are free so, if you are interested, please call or email.



## THE VILLAGE LUNCH

Gale Scott 262061 Terry Bannister 262454

The last lunch, which took place on 12th April, was very successful when Jenny Hand, Director of the Munnings Art Museum in Dedham gave a very interesting illustrated talk on '*Sir Alfred Munnings: Son of a Miller to President of the Royal Academy*'.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Lunch which made £865 for the Village Hall.

The next Village Lunch will take place on Wednesday 11th of October when the speaker will be Samantha Rowley, outreach manager at The Roman Circus Visitor Centre Colchester. Samantha will give an illustrated talk entitled '*A Day at the Camulodunum Races*'. Please put the date in your diaries – full details will be given in the next issue.



## NAYLAND CINEMA

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We continue with our monthly film screenings but will also be adding a few extras in between which we think may prove interesting/different! so please look out for these. The availability of pizza at the cinema is proving popular with Tim selling out at the last performance. Norman's well stocked bar provides great accompaniments to these pizzas and hopefully the weather will warm up soon so that we can enjoy the above alfresco.

Generally numbers attending the cinema are down from pre-covid levels and it would be lovely to see more of you taking the opportunity to watch a film, have supper, go out for a drink and catch up with friends all under one roof!

As with most things post-covid the costs of running the cinema have increased and therefore your support for this valuable asset to the village is much appreciated. Don't forget we are always happy to listen to suggestions on how we can improve on what we currently deliver.

Must see Nayland cinema films are CHARADE a 1963 classic for the more mature amongst us - bar, pizzas, ice cream and other refreshments available as usual. For the young and young at heart MATILDA screening as a matinee performance. Come and rest those tired aching muscles after the Nayland 10K Fun Run and enjoy the film with ice cream and popcorn for sale. Tea/coffee and biscuits are included in the usual ticket price of £5 for adults and squash included in the 16 and under entry price of £2.

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

**Friday 2nd June: 'Charade'** is a 1963 American film declared the best Hitchcock movie Hitchcock never made. Regina 'Reggie' Lampert (Audrey Hepburn), an elegant American interpreter living in France, falls for dashing Peter Joshua (Cary Grant) during a skiing holiday in the French Alps. The are drawn into a cat-and-mouse game as a trio of ruthless cut-throats and the U.S. government are in pursuit of missing money thought to have been stolen by Reggie's late husband.

**Friday 23rd June: 'The Fabelmans'** (2022) **Fabelmans** is loosely based on Spielberg's childhood growing up in post-World War II era in Arizona. Entranced by his first visit to a movie theatre and haunted by the powerful imagery of Cecil B. DeMille's Oscar-winning *The Greatest Show on Earth*, young Sammy Fabelman returns home seeking to recreate it. He discovers an irresistible passion for making home movies; his creative projects become increasingly ambitious.

**Sunday 9th July (matinee): 'Matilda: The Musical'** is the story of an extraordinary little girl with extraordinary powers. The daughter of abusive parents, Matilda Wormwood (*Alisha Weir*) finds refuge in library books; she loses herself in the pages and begins conjuring her own fantastical tales. Things are no better at school, where Matilda also must face a tyrannical and cruel headmistress, Miss Trunchbull (*Emma Thompson*). But armed with a sharp mind and a vivid imagination, she dares to take a stand to change her story with miraculous results.

**Friday 28th July: 'Empire of Light'** (2022). Set in an English coastal town in the early 1980s Hilary Small (Olivia Colman), a cinema manager at the Empire Cinema, goes about her lonely life, dinners for one and the occasional utilitarian tryst with her married boss, Mr Ellis (Colin Firth). When new employee Stephen Murray (Micheal Ward) arrives Hilary is instantly beguiled and senses something particularly kindred in him....

**Friday 18th August: 'Tár'** (2022). Lydia Tár (Kate Blanchett), has achieved an enviable career few could even dream of as the first female principal music director of the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra. As a trailblazer, the passionate virtuoso leads the way in the male-dominated classical music industry. She relies on Francesca (Noémie Merlant), her personal assistant, and Sharon (Nina Hoss), her wife and concertmaster but these relationships become strained when secrets emerge....





## NAYLAND HANDBELL & CHURCH BELL RINGERS

Church Bells: Chris Hunt 262014 - Handbells Hazel Gardiner 262582

We were privileged to be invited to play a hymn at Pam Baker's memorial Service in May. It was a hymn she and John had chosen when they married. Pam rejoined the handbell group when it re-formed before the outbreak of COVID-19. Sadly when we were able to meet again after the pandemic Pam's health was failing.

There is a photo of her with the original team at The Friends Carol Service in 2003. Pam was a founding member of The Friends in Nayland, which over the years has raised a considerable amount of money benefiting our church in many ways.

Interested in trying a new hobby, please join us at the Church Hall, Tuesdays 1:30-3pm. A warm welcome is assured.

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

It has been a long time but at last I am pleased to say we have a developing band for bellringing again at Nayland. Thanks to the tutoring, encouragement and the perseverance of our ringers we were able to ring with a Nayland band on Coronation Day – and some people heard us!! Many thanks to our 'teachers' and it is interesting to see how our new ringers are finding how interesting ringing can be. Trips to other villages' churches help with developing their skill, and there is no truth in the rumour that a local hostelry follows!! Many thanks and congratulations to all concerned. If anyone is interested in learning to ring, or wish to return to ringing after a break please get in touch.... Chris Hunt 262014



## NAYLAND SURGERY NEWS

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

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

The surgery will be closed for staff training in the afternoon on 18th May and 28th June and closed on Bank Holiday Monday, 29th May.



## BOOK CLUB

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We recently finished reading 'The Push' by Ashley Audrain. This psychological drama focuses on three generations of mothers. Blyth had a traumatic childhood and both her mother and grandmother were problematic mothers. Blyth struggles to connect with her newborn daughter and worries that her own traumatic childhood has damaged her ability to bond as a parent. The Push is not an easy read and explores the relationship between nature and nurture.

Our current novel is 'Nevil Shute's 'A Town Like Alice'.



## NAYLAND FIRST RESPONSE TEAM

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We are pleased to have recruited several new first responders in recent months; we a new person doing their training this month and will soon have 5 fully trained first responders in the group. This will enable us to give even more cover to the local area.

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>



## ST JAMES' CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGING TEAM

Jeannette Finch 262993 Rose Cottage, Fen Street

Many thanks to those who gave donations towards the cost of lilies for decorating St James' church for Easter. Donations towards flowers throughout the year can be given to Jeannette Finch, Rose Cottage, 5 Fen Street.

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, do contact Jeannette on 262993.



## 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)

The number of entries for our annual **Spring Flower Show** on Saturday **25th March** were fewer than they had been in past years. Despite this we had a good number of visitors during morning who were able to enjoy the beautiful floral entries, as well as having some refreshments and a chat. Our thanks to the judges and the helpers on the day.

The Show had a total of 8 entrants producing 37 exhibits. Joint winners of the Olive Noakes cup were: Hazel Gardiner and Trevor Smy both on 16 points, in third place was Jane Barbrook on 10 points. The class results are listed below. #

Pot Spring Bulbs:	-
Pot Five Narcissus:	Hazel Gardiner
Pot miniature Narcissus:	Trevor Smy
Pot Polyanthus or Primula:	-
Flowering houseplant:	Hazel Gardiner, Anne Spencer
Non-Flowering houseplant:	Jane Barbrook
Three blooms floating in water:	Chris Jacobs, Hazel Gardiner, Jane Barbrook
Arrangement 'Host of Daffodils':	Hazel Gardiner, Sally Dalton
Arrangement 'Spring Fever':	-
Vase Hyacinths:	Trevor Smy, Guy Niven
Vase mixed flowers/shrubs:	Trevor Smy
Vase single flowering shrub/tree:	Trevor Smy, Jane Barbrook
Vase three Tulips:	-
Vase one Camellia:	Hazel Gardiner
Vase six assorted Narcissus:	Guy Niven, Trevor Smy
Vase six miniature Narcissus:	Sally Dalton, Hazel Gardiner, Chris Jacobs
Vase three specimen Narcissus:	Guy Niven, Colin Ramsell, Jane Barbrook
Rhubarb, 3 stalks:	Jane Barbrook, Trevor Smy



The next event was our **AGM**, which was followed by a horticultural-themed Quiz. The Chairman, Trevor Smy said that last year we have managed a full programme of events, with our Spring and especially Summer Shows well supported and with more children's entries than previous years. This is very pleasing, because we need to get the next generation interested. On a different note, we have not fared so well this year so far, with our first speaker and Spring Flower Show poorly attended. We are trying to put on interesting and enjoyable events for all to enjoy, so please let us know if we can improve things.

He went on to thank the many people who support HortSoc. Andrew Gowen for making sure our books are in order, Justin and Lorraine who keep me on my toes with computer stuff, Pat Bray who spreads the word to the press. There are many more so thanks to you all. Not forgetting the Committee for all the time they give to running the Society.

He finished on a sad note, as the Hort Soc have lost some long-term members this year – Alex Murrison, Sheila Sessions, Joy Jones and John and Pam Baker, who have all given valued support over many years.

Richard Cave kindly chaired the election of officers and committee members. Officers re-elected were Trevor Smy (Chair), Jane Barbrook (Secretary), Margaret Smy (Treasurer); (Committee) Colin Ramsell, Sheila Wildish, Guy Niven, Shirley Whitnell, Anne Spencer and Jenny Court. Trevor thanked Richard for chairing the elections. He also thanked the committee for their work and support in 2022/3.

Following the meeting there was a light-hearted 'horticultural' themed Quiz organised by Trevor Smy.

The **Morning Market** on the **13th May** was a great success. There were lots of flower and vegetable plants for sale, as well as home-made cakes and preserves, and we had a steady stream of visitors during the morning. Sunflower plants and seeds were also handed out, so they can be grown on for our Summer Flower Show.

Our coach trip this year is on Wednesday **21st June** when we visit **Bressingham Steam and Gardens** in Norfolk; further details and booking form on page 16. This is open to all, not just HortSoc members, so please spread the word and invite your friends. The cost is £25 per person, including travel and entry. Coach leaves Nayland at 9.30am and departs the gardens at 4.30pm. There are still seats available on the coach so please contact Trevor or Margaret Smy to book your place.

The gardens of Bressingham cover nearly 20 acres and contain 8000 species of plants. There are plenty of activities; from the indoor recreation of a 1940's street and the National Dad's Army collection to riding the Victorian Gallopers and narrow gauge trains, or enjoying the beautiful gardens.

The schedules for the **annual Flower Show on 5th August** have been distributed locally. If you require additional copies, they are available from the Post Office, Forget Me Not Store and Mill Street Store and Deli, or can be downloaded from our website. Schedules can also be collected from a committee member.

The subject for the adults' photography section will be *'People or pets enjoying the garden or countryside'*, and for young people aged 14 and under *'I took this myself'*, so don't forget to get out and about with your cameras soon to capture some colourful shots. HortSoc are grateful to the advertisers in the schedule who enable us to fund this promotion.

As part of the Show, we have introduced a **Tallest Sunflower & Hollyhock Competition** - see details and entry form on page 13. Sunflower seeds or seedlings were provided free for entrants to grow on. 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 the 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.

Further date for your diaries:

24th October Talk by Jacqueline Aviolet





## NAYLAND AND DISTRICT WOMENS INSTITUTE

President: Lorna Rumsey 01787 211975

Secretary: Jeannette Finch 262993

Our April meeting was with Chris Hunt, who gave us a very interesting talk about *'Exploring our Local Footpaths'*, explaining there are many do's and don'ts when walking in the countryside. We recently had our AGM and Resolutions; our President and Secretary and five committee members stay the same. The WI noticeboard has been given a makeover: it displays our 2023/24 programme with speakers covering many varied subjects.

On 8th June the talk given by a WI member, Mrs Sheila Webb will be entitled the *'History of the WI'* and on 13th July Sarah Jane Clarke will visit to talk about *'Recycling'*. Our August meeting will hopefully be our postponed birthday lunch.

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.

## THE NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON LAND COMPANY



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We have recently installed two new interpretation boards on the meadow which we hope will be of interest to both local residents and visitors. One board gives information about the wildlife typically found in and around the pond, and the second relates to the woodland adjacent to the A134 bypass. We are very grateful to the Dedham Vale AONB Sustainable Development Fund which grant aided the design and production of the boards.



### COWSLIPS

It is hoped people enjoyed the encouraging display of cowslips on the wildflower belt of the Meadow.

The cowslip (*Primula veris*) is a cousin of the wild primrose (*Primula vulgaris*) and formerly a common perennial plant of traditional hay meadows, ancient woodlands and hedgerows.

It is a native perennial, which displays a basal rosette of green, crinkly, tongue-like leaves, low to the ground. Its tube-like, yellow flowers are clustered, all facing to one side, at the ends of its upright green stems in mid- to late spring.

Cowslips are important for wildlife, their flowers being an early source of nectar for various insects such as bees, beetles and butterflies. Cowslip is also a food plant for the Duke of Burgundy butterfly.

The cowslip has many folk names due to its historical importance and fame, including 'key of heaven', 'paigles' and 'herb Peter'. The name cowslip means 'cow-slop' (i.e. cowpat), in reference to its meadow habitat. It is the county flower for Essex, Northamptonshire, Surrey and Worcestershire. It also has culinary and medicinal uses.







## NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

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With huge regret the committee have taken the decision to cancel this year's Open Gardens. For a myriad of different reasons many of our usual garden openers have decided not to participate this year and it was likely that we might only have around 10 gardens open to view whereas last year we had 24. In the circumstances and having due regard to the fact that around 600 visitors normally attend the event the committee thought the safety aspect was a risk and reluctantly decided to cancel the event. Next year Open Gardens will take place on the 9th of June and we anticipate we shall be back to full strength to permit our usual successful event.

Our spring litter pick, conducted in conjunction with the Parish Council was well attended this year with 16 volunteers picking the litter up in Nayland, a further three volunteers covering parts of Wissington.

Our Spring Footpath walk took place on Sunday the 14th May starting from Wiston Church on a circular route up to Little Horkesley. The focus of the walk was the topic of bombing in the Dedham Vale and as usual walk leader Chris Hunt gave a highly amusing and interesting commentary en route.

At our next speaker meeting on the 19th of June former Nayland resident Sir Bob Russell will make a presentation based on his childhood memories in Nayland. He was born and brought up in a house, since demolished, near the foot of Gravel Hill.

Our October talk features Nick Amor speaking on the subject of Keeping the Peace in Medieval Suffolk and our last speaker of the year in November is Dr Sian Dawson who will present a talk entitled Petals & Paint Sir Cedric Morris Florilegium. Sian is a talented painter of flowers and she has painted many of the species of Iris and other plants bred by Cedric Morris.

On Friday the 5th of May the Society and the Parish Council had a meeting with the Chief Planning Officer of Babergh District Council ("BDC") the Area Planning Manager and the Planning Enforcement and Heritage Team Leader. Both the Society and the Parish Council had prepared papers outlining areas of concern and failures by BDC in connection with planning and enforcement matters in our parish. To the credit of BDC they admitted a number of errors had been made and they have offered a direct line of contact to our Parish Council so that in future issues can be raised directly with officers at short notice. Concerns regarding enforcement issues remain outstanding. In particular a number of residents have brought to our attention the creation of a substantial spoil heap (see photo) adjacent to the river Stour and near to the Down to Earth site located next to the A134. It is hoped that whoever is responsible for this inappropriate use of agricultural land located within the Dedham Vale AONB will cease such activity in the future and remove the offending spoil.

Finally, on the subject of the village 20 mph speed limit or zone our County Councillor James Finch has decided that the expenditure is not justified and he will not support the introduction of the speed limit or zone. The Parish Council must now decide whether they wish to pursue the matter further. In view of the support for a 20 mph speed limit within the village this is a disappointing response especially as the average speed limit recorded by the speed survey fell within the qualifying criteria.



# NAYLAND VILLAGE HALL FUNDRAISER

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## TABLE TENNIS CLUB

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 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.



## NAYLAND BABY & TODDLER GROUP

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Facebook:  
 Nayland Baby & Toddler Group



The Nayland Baby and Toddler Group meets on Fridays, from 9.30am until 11.15am in Nayland Village Hall. Sessions follow term times with some extended closures around school holidays. The group will be closed for May half term.

Our summer term opening dates are the 16th, 23rd and 30th June and the 7th July.

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

Sessions cost £3.50 per family which includes tea/coffee and biscuits for adults and snacks and juice for children.

We have lots of activities planned and there is plenty of space for physical play including a climbing frame, tricycles, construction toys and lots more. We look forward to welcoming you and your little ones.



## NAYLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mrs Kennedy

### CORONATION CELEBRATIONS

As part of our celebrations, the regular Energiser (a whole-school choreographed energising dance at the end of every lunch time) was to a very topical song. *I Just Can't Wait to be King* from The Lion King was choreographed by Miss Connell and was led by Eagle Class (year 6) for the half term of the Coronation.

Although the damp weather on the Friday before the Coronation meant our planned playground party at lunch time was instead held indoors, it didn't stop the whole school from spreading the celebrations around the village with song. The school split into three groups and sang at Nayland House, on Parker's Way and in the centre of the village. Of course, *I Just Can't Wait to be King* was featured - but this time in song - along with the National Anthem.

### EAGLE CLASS (YEAR 6)

The Eagles had a valuable trip to Sudbury AFC in May to participate in Crucial Crew. This event (hosted by the Bridge Project) encourages the children to think about how to stay safe in a myriad of scenarios in a fun and active way.

The Eagle Class are now working hard towards their end of year play - Dream On, an adaptation of A Midsummer Night's Dream. Look out for photos in the next edition! Along with this they are learning an end of year dance routine and of course preparing for their next schools.

### EMPLOYABILITY

Eagle Class were joined by the Kestrels (Y5) for these sessions during May. Parents for the school community gave up their time to talk to the children about their jobs - the good bits and the not so good bits! Importantly, they were able to tell the children how and why they ended up in their jobs. The children were able to ask searching questions about the wide variety of jobs they heard about from dog (and human) training, to accountancy; from hairdressing to book publishing and being a police detective to jewellery making and lots in between.

We were all very grateful for the opportunity to hear about such a variety of work options.

### ROCK STEADY COMES TO NAYLAND

We love music at Nayland School and the children have the opportunity to sing in the school choir, learn a brass instrument and the ukulele. Now we are adding rock music to our repertoire!



Robin, a Year 2 pupil, enjoying the Coronation party lunch

**Rock Steady** (peripatetic rock musician teachers) enthused the whole school during a special assembly and the children enjoyed having the experience of being in a band. The slots for learning either the drums, keyboard, bass or electric guitar in a band format, soon filled so of course we arranged for extra slots! These mini-rock-stars in the making will be performing for their parents at the end of term.

At the performance there will be a surprise guest band made up of some of the teachers who were also inspired to Rock On!





## Woodland Corner

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Registered Charity  
No. 1035330

We have been busy celebrating again this half term with a 'shared lunch' for King Charles III Coronation. All parents/carers brought a plate of food to share and we had a Royal feast with crowns on!

We would like to thank Babergh District Council for awarding Woodland Corner with a grant for £4,800 from the 'VCFSE Resilience Fund'. We have started to make lots of improvements to our garden. The money has enabled us to purchase some sun sails to give us some much needed shade, special gardening tools for children, plants, numbers for the fence, a music station and a bespoke mud kitchen!

Grandparents Gardening week is 15th May till the 21st May. We are putting our new tools to good use and gaining knowledge from our grandparents! We are going to have a grand opening once it's been transformed.

We have been given sunflower seeds from Trevor Smy to enter the Nayland Flower Show 'Tallest Sunflower Competition'. Every child was given a small pot and a seed to grow a sunflower at home. Wouldn't it be amazing if one of our Woodland Corner children entered the competition and won!

The sponsored walk has been delayed until the weather improves. We are going to reschedule this and incorporate it with the garden reveal.

The photographer is coming on the 21st June. Sibling photos welcome (please let us know and we will give you a time). Rob Sambrook will also take graduation photos for the leavers.

We continue to run Yoga and Multisport sessions with external teachers. We are pleased to announce Forest School Sessions will start again on the 6th June.

Sports Day is on the 12th July and we welcome all Pre-School parents/carers to come to watch.

Graduation party will be on the 20th July and Parents/Carers of the 2023 leavers will be invited to attend.

A Fun Food and Festivities community event is on the 16th September at the village hall. Woodland Corner will run some children friendly stalls as well as bouncy castles – Save the date!

Breakfast and afterschool clubs are very busy as more parents are going back to the office. The children are loving the lighter mornings/afternoons and are going straight out to play after breakfast!

We have already received lots of enquiries for September sessions, please get in touch if you would like to come and look around (even if you're not ready to start till 2024).

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



## Family@Nayland

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May marks the second anniversary of our family service in Nayland. It's been such a joy to welcome so many young people to church during those two years.

The services continue on the third Sunday of every month, with singing, crafts, fun activities and lots of participation from the congregation!

In April we heard the story of doubting Thomas and we're about to hear the story of Pentecost in May. We hope you can join us next time: 18th June (Father's Day!), 10am, St James' Nayland.







# VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Registered Charity No 304 928

www.naylandandwiston.net &gt; Village Hall

Chairman: Iain Wright 263646

Secretary: Christine Thompson 262825



## APRIL MEETING

### MATTERS ARISING & HOUSEKEEPING BOOK

- The calendar for March was read out.
- The external maintenance check will be carried out.
- The monthly fire check for March was carried out; there were no problems
- The quarterly inspection of the hall will be carried out.
- The gutters will be cleared.
- The comment book was read out. Locks will be asked to check the kettle leads and the crockery in the kitchen will be cleaned thoroughly.

### MAINTENANCE

- The chairs with arms will have the arms riveted to prevent them from falling off.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

- The insurance for the hall is due.

### ROOF REPLACEMENT

- The start of the works has been delayed allowing more time for fundraising and grant applications.
- An application to the Lottery fund has reached the second stage.
- Green Energy Nayland has agreed to give £10,000 towards the solar panels on the new roof. The VHMC is very grateful to them.
- There will be three further fundraising events this year. Plans for the organisation of these events are underway.
- All the groups who use the hall will be invited to set up a stall in the hall during the festival in order to recruit new members.

### AOB:

- The VHMC would like to thank the hirers who came to tidy the VH gardens on Saturday 1st April.
- The VHMC would like to thank Karen Freeman for organising a very successful matinee film show on 4th April.

## MAY MEETING

### MATTERS ARISING & HOUSEKEEPING BOOK

- The calendar for May was read out.
- The monthly fire check for April was carried out; there were no problems.
- The external maintenance check will be carried out.
- The quarterly inspection of the hall will be carried out.

**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.

### CLASSES & GROUPS IN THE VILLAGE HALL

- Mondays: 9.30am Acrylic Painting (during June)  
2pm Table Tennis, 6pm Pregnancy/Luna Yoga
- Tuesdays: 9.15 Pilates, 3pm Dance Fitness Club
- Wednesdays: 2pm Yoga
- Thursdays: 6pm Zumba Class
- Fridays: 9.30am Baby & Toddler Group
- Saturdays: 8am Yoga

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

- The gutters have been cleared.
- Lock Electrical will check the noise limiter as it is not working.
- There is now a cool cabinet under the bar.

### MAINTENANCE

- The window glass at the Fen Street end of the hall will be replaced. A glazing contractor will be sought.
- The chairs with arms have had the arms riveted to prevent them from falling off.
- The cutlery will be counted to check if more needs to be bought.

### BOOKINGS

- The hall is being very well used and early booking is advised.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

- Endowment Fund £14,974, COIF £19,472, Bank £21,924, Cash 739, Debtors £0, Assets £24,428.
- All the annual bills have been paid.

### ROOF REPLACEMENT

- UK Power Network has agreed to buy the excess solar electricity from the village hall once the panels have been installed on the roof.
- An application to the Lottery Fund has reached the second stage. Once a third quotation for the work has been submitted, a lottery representative will be invited to visit the hall.
- There will be 3 further fundraising events this year.
  1. A Midsummer Prom in the Park concert on the evening of 24th June. The posters for this event have been printed and tickets are on sale at [www.naylandevents.org](http://www.naylandevents.org)
  2. An Afternoon Tea with Music is being planned on 7th July. This date has been altered from 14th July
  3. A two-day Fun, Food & Music Festival will be organised on 16th & 17th September. This event is now taking place during school term time.

- Plans for the organisation of these events are underway.

### AOB:

- Dawn Harris will write an article for the Community Times about the presence of dogs on the field. The VHMC decided to have a poop bin installed on the field to encourage dog owners to clear up after their pets.

### DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- The next meeting will be on **Monday 5th June @ 7.30pm** in the hall committee room.

## DONATIONS: ROOF REPLACEMENT

If you would like to make a donation to the Village Hall roof replacement project. The Village Hall 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.

## COLLECTION OF KEYS

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

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

## 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.

## VILLAGE PLAYERS: SMALL IS BEAUTIFUL

The Village Players proved that less can be more, when a cast of just three delivered an enthralling performance of Alan Ayckbourn's classic *'Snake in the Grass'* before engrossed audiences at the village hall in April.

Directed by Chrissie Kettle (who had last overseen Rattigan's *'Deep Blue Sea'* for The Players in 2017), the play opened with Annabel Chester (Helen Bridge) returning home after several years away following the death of her father. This was Helen's first play at Nayland but she put her vast experience to good use as the hapless elder sister down on her luck, vulnerable both emotionally and physically to the trials ahead. Contrast this with the much younger, edgier Alice Moody (played by Alice Gurden) who attempted to blackmail Annabel with evidence – in the form of a letter – that Miriam Chester (Emma Wallis) had been trying to finish their father off. Playing a restive, self-serving character, this was a compelling performance by Alice in her first serious acting role.

Nayland regular Emma was dressed down and carried a "ditzy" demeanour quite reminiscent of Miranda Richardson's Queenie in *Blackadder*, an impression which led us to believe that she was damaged, weak and unreliable.

So, the scene was set as the two sisters pitted their wits against Alice, their father's former nurse – but the plot twisted thrice. The "death" and dumping of the former nurse down the well led to gasps from the audience, until the Chesters realised the letter was a fake and the murder had been for nothing.

Guiltily they sat and drank and the matter seemed settled – until Alice reappeared and frightened the weak-hearted Annabel literally to death. But Miriam was not upset – because she had been in league with Alice all along – in fact more than that, as the pair then kissed to stunned silence.

But pity poor Alice as she was killed a second time – and this time for real, electrocuted, by the scheming Miriam who then stepped out of her big coat to reveal a glamorous tutu beneath – this newly rich woman was ready to party! The change in look



revealed the fact that Miriam had been playing us all along – a truly dangerous and mesmerizing performance by Emma.

The play was rich in dialogue and long monologues, necessarily with just three players and contained just the right amount of action to keep the audience gripped until the end, including the tennis balls which mysteriously thundered in from stage left, pounding the mesh fence and poor Helen; and father's chair which was rocked by his ghost as he called out Miriam's name.

But the acting was only part of this magnificent display. The set was a work of art, created by Nick Moriarty with assistance from John Dobson and others. The ivy-covered brick wall backdrop from Mandy Cook was astonishingly realistic and the costumes from Lorraine Coombes were spot on.

And Chrissie's choice of music at the start put us in the right state of mind – *Tubular Bells* from Mike Oldfield had the hairs on the back of our necks standing up, preparing us for the unfolding psycho-drama to come.

A truly gripping drama, of which director, cast and crew can be justly proud.

### Village Players AUDITIONS

The Players are staging the Children's Christmas Play

## 'KIDNAPPED AT CHRISTMAS'

by Willis Hall on the 23rd-25th November

The play has 9 Characters mostly men but a couple (possibly 3) nice roles for ladies.

**Auditions are being held in the Nayland Church Hall  
on Wednesday 19th July at 7.30pm  
and Sunday 23rd July at 5pm**

If you are interested but cannot attend either audition or would like further info on any aspect of the roles or the play itself, then contact **Jim Bond** on **07824 798342**.

Rehearsals are on Wednesdays at 7.30 and Sundays at 5pm in Nayland Church Hall.

Bring your diaries to the auditions as availability for rehearsals etc is vital.

**Come join me for a lot of fun**

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# Garden Notes *by The Old Muckspreader*



Any moment now the media will be full of the annual Chelsea Flower Show. This is a reminder, this year more than ever when everything is growing fast the 'Chelsea Chop' is a good idea. In case any readers are mystified by the expression, here is what it's all about. Quite a number of herbaceous plants, mostly the late summer/autumn flowerers such as Phloxes, Michaelmas Daisies, Heleniums, Rudbeckias tend to grow tall and leggy, needing support by the time they come into flower. They can be cut back by almost half their height now, i.e. at the time of the RHS Chelsea Show. This will not affect the volume of flower but they will be more stocky and less likely to need staking.

Some nurserymen extend the treatment to shorter perennials, such as the hardy geraniums, but in their case it will definitely postpone their flowering; the OM/S has no personal experience of this and he hesitates to recommend it, giving it mention for what it is worth.

The following is a means of repairing damage to lawns which saves time and money. The school solution to such a problem goes roughly as follows: Fork up the patch to be renewed, and reduce the soil to fine tilth. Sow grass seed, keep watered and covered with netting to stop birds from eating the seed and cats scratching it. The results after a few weeks is probably some beautiful grass, which doesn't match the rest of the lawn, and stands out like the proverbial sore thumb. The following method is easier and cheaper and produces a harmonious result. Hunt round the garden for some weeds that more or less match the lawn grass [never any problem at M/S Hall]. Plant the weeds in the bare patch and keep well watered; you can also scatter a few lawn mowings for good measure. With a bit of luck after about three weeks you shouldn't be able to distinguish the repaired patch from the rest of the lawn.

This month's plant in Choisya Ternata, a single species shrub originating from Mexico. The basic form is an evergreen with dark green evergreen leaves which give off a pungent odour when crushed, and masses of white flowers, which are in full bloom at the moment, and sometimes continue spasmodically until the Autumn. It's quick growing and will soon reach a height of about 8 feet if left alone, but will tolerate quite severe pruning throughout the season. There's a fine specimen along the West wall of Nayland Churchyard.

Finally, a recommendation; this is one of the OM/S' favourites. Hesperis Matronalis, Sweet Rocket or Dame's Violet is a highly scented perennial with white or mauve blossom, in flower at the moment. It self-seeds freely, and is at its best in its second season, though it will live for much longer. It will grow anywhere, even in poor soil, and will quickly fill up an empty space. It is also, incidentally, one of the main food plants of the caterpillar of the Orange Tip butterfly, seen flying about now, but will not suffer visible damage.

## WORDSEARCH: NAYLAND FEATURES AND LOCATIONS

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JOHN CONSTABLE  
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## SOME OF NAYLAND'S PAST DOCTORS

Not so very long ago Nayland residents remembered paying a few pence a week to local friendly or welfare societies for their medical care or hospital treatment but, after the inception of the National Health Service in 1948, medical services greatly changed and improved for the population. However, the village doctor was always a highly respected member of the community and in Nayland there have been many distinguished doctors living here. The following are just a few.

**Edward Liveing Fenn (1843-1907).** From the end of the 18th century there were several doctors living continuously at Stourbank in Bear Street (now known as Bear House) mostly connected by marriage. One of these was Edward Liveing Fenn who was born there in 1843 and died at Alston Court in 1907. He was one of the six children of Thomas Harrold Fenn, a surgeon, and his wife.

After qualifying as a doctor Edward assisted his father in his practice, succeeding him after he died. However, he left Nayland in 1872 and went to practise in Surrey for 20 years, later returning to live at Greyfriars on East Hill in Colchester; by then he was a distinguished and much esteemed physician. He became a physician at Colchester Hospital and in 1902 he inherited Alston Court from his aunt, Margaret Alston. At that time the house was called Grooms and he renamed it Alston Court. He was also responsible for extensively restoring the house and lived there until he died when it passed to his son Charles Fenn.

When Edward Liveing Fenn left Nayland in 1872 Stourbank was sold to **Henry Drake Palmer** who was a surgeon. He was responsible for extending and altering the house and legend has it that he had two resident mental patients, neither of whom was allowed to see the other, so the alterations had regard to this consideration.

**Dr Jane Walker (1859-1938)** was one of the first women in this country to qualify as a doctor of medicine and was a pioneer of a new openair system for the treatment of tuberculosis in England. She founded the East Anglian Sanatorium at Wiston in 1901 which became a fully self-supporting institution for adults and children and then army personnel during the First World War. After her death in 1938 (she was buried in Wiston churchyard) it became the British Legion Sanatorium and then in 1959 an NHS hospital for people with learning difficulties, appropriately called the Jane Walker Hospital, until 1991 when it was closed by the health authority. There is no doubt that the foundation of the hospital transformed Wiston and brought much employment to the area, thanks to the inspiration of Jane Walker. It was a sad day when it closed but the main hospital building, converted to homes, remains as a reminder of the importance of this institution.



*Dr Jane Walker with some of her patients*



*Dr Syrett in his 1904 De Dion-Bouton car*

**Dr Ernest Frank Syrett (1869-1919)** came to Nayland in the 1890s and was the first doctor to live at the Old Vicarage in the High Street after the Reverend Gray had moved up to the new vicarage (now Nayland House Residential Home). He was listed in County Directories from 1895 to 1904 as a Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator and in the Kelly's Directory of 1908 as a Surgeon. He left the village in 1911 and went to Dovercourt where he became the Minister of Health for Harwich and died in 1919. Dr Syrett married Maude Gray, daughter of the Reverend Gray. He was one of the first people in Nayland to own a car, a 1904 De Dion-Bouton.

**Dr Sidney Slade (1880-1970)** came to Nayland in 1911 after Doctor Syrett until he retired and moved away in 1937. He made a great contribution to the community in many ways: he was a sidesman at St James's Church, was Chairman of the Parish Council and the British Legion. He was responsible for organising royal celebrations, introduced bell ringing immediately after the First World War. He was interested in many things: archery, antiques, old buildings and gardening and the history of Nayland which he wrote about in the parish magazine as well as compiling his notes in typescript form. Dr Slade was held in high regard by all his patients and is still remembered with great affection by families who were living here before World War II.

**Dr John McMichael (1905-1982)**, widely known as Dr Mac, came to Nayland in 1946. He was the last GP to live at the Old Vicarage. He was also the Medical Superintendent at the Jane Walker Hospital for 21 years. He retired from General Practice in 1971 after 25 years but continued to be the Medical Superintendent at the Jane Walker for a further 9 years. He was Chairman of the Parish Council, a Church Warden, Trustee of the Nayland Charities Trust and President of the Nayland Branch of the Royal British Legion. He was Vice President of the Suffolk County RBL and was awarded the Gold Badge for his services to the Legion. During the Second World War Dr Mac was a Desert Rat, serving in the 7th Armoured Division. After the war he became the Royal Physician to King George VI and the Royal family at Sandringham for two years before coming to Nayland with his family. One of his daughters, Shirley Scarlett who sadly recently died, will also be remembered.

For more information about Nayland's doctors see Chapter 4 of *Nayland Suffolk Town and Village* published by the Nayland with Conservation Society in 1991.

**Wendy Sparrow, Parish Recorder**



## WEATHER SUMMARY: March & April 2023 *by David Lowe*

**March** once again featured rain as its main element – this time, because of the extreme quantity of it, rather than its lack. 118.6 mm of rain fell in March, nearly 5 in. in old measurement and nearly 3 x the monthly average of 40.4 mm. Even allowing for the additional evapotranspiration in March, it more than made up for the minimal 2.4 mm of rain in February. It was also the third highest monthly total (all months) since I started keeping records 15 years ago.

It was the frequency of rain, rather than extreme quantities at a time, that generated this high total. There were only 5 days on which precipitation was not recorded, with 3 days of over 10 mm (average 1.13) with highest daily fall of 19 mm (9.51). The Stour Valley flooded on one occasion, which is unusual for March. Highest rainfall rate was 60.4 mm/hr (28.66).

Both February's and March's extreme rainfall statistics were probably down to 'Sudden Stratospheric Warming' over the North Pole, which results in the normal upper air circulation being reversed, and has sequential impacts at the surface. In February, high pressure over, or close to, the UK kept depressions at bay more than usual, while in March, the twin action of high pressure over Greenland and in the vicinity of the Azores, funnelled low pressure systems right at us, further south than usual, and these systems and their fronts moving more slowly than usual, and dropping more precipitation over us, as a consequence. Often SSW events cause extreme cold and snow – but not this time.

Mean temperature was 7.2°C (6.82) with a high of 16.5°C (17.07). Minimum was -2.9°C (-1.85) with lowest max 3.3°C (5.37). There were 4 days with air frost (4.6) and 8 with ground frost (9.2). There was only 1 day with less than 5°C max (0.8) 15 with less than 10°C (12.27) and 26 with less than 15°C

(27.4). Occasionally there is a late March 'heat wave', but there wasn't this year!

Highest dewpoint was 12.7°C (11.43) and lowest -4.1°C (-4.51).

Not surprisingly, bright sun hours were down at 175.3 (210.88) third lowest over the 15 year record period, as was solar energy – second lowest at 5200 Ly (6343). Evapotranspiration was also second lowest at 39.5 mm (48.22).

Average wind speed was 6.4 mph (4.97) with highest gust at 46 mph (40.4). Highest average daily speed was 13.8 mph (11.91). There was 1 day over 40 mph, 2 over 35 mph and 4 over 30 mph. Predominant direction was SW.

**April** was wet, cool and often cloudy, but not as extreme as March in any dimension.

Mean temperature was 8.5°C (9.17) with a high of 16.5°C (20.78) and low of -1.4°C (-1). Lowest max was 9.4°C (8.62). There were 2 air frosts (2.67) and 5 ground (5.47). There were two days with a max of less than 10°C (2.67) and 26 with a max of less than 15°C (18.6).

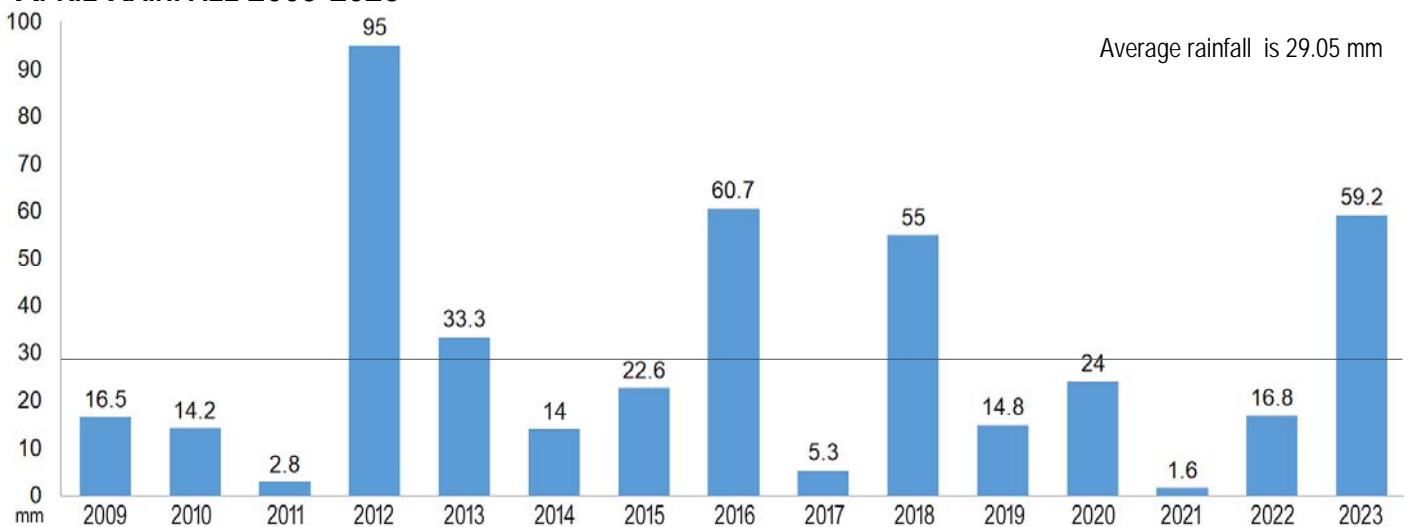
Bright sun hours were 298.8 (285.77) with solar energy of 10867 Ly (10602) and evapotranspiration of 71.5 mm (75.15).

Rainfall was 59.2 mm (29.05) the third highest April total, but with no days of 10 mm or more. Highest rainfall rate was 44mm/hr (29.8).

Average wind strength was 5.7 mph (4.44) with a max gust of 40 mph. Highest daily average wind speed was 10.8 mph (9.67). There were 5 days over 30 mph (2.27) and 4 days over 35 mph (0.73).

The prevailing wind direction was north east. It is interesting to note that the prevailing wind has been from an easterly point 11 out of the past 15 years.

### APRIL RAINFALL 2009-2023



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## PAMELA BAKER

(February 1930 – March 2023)

by her daughter Margaret

Mum's first request was her memorial service be held on a Friday - that was the day for 20 plus years she was in this church cleaning with her team of friends. I thought her next instructions were going to be to whom I should give the dusters and the vacuum cleaner but thankfully we moved on to choice of hymns.

Mum made two very good decisions early on in life – she married my father, John, who she met at age 16 and married 8 years later. They therefore knew each other for 76 years and had a long, happy, supportive marriage for 68 of them.

Her other fortuitous decision was entering a career she loved. War broke out when Mum was nine, evacuated twice her schooling was interrupted but she always said she loved school especially her high school in Wallington Surrey. She attended Newlands Park training college in Buckinghamshire where she embarked on a career in teaching - she loved the camaraderie of college and afterwards moved up to Leeds to be near dad and so began her married life.

I was born in Leeds where Mum taught in various schools in Yorkshire until 1966 when my parents moved south to Nayland to be closer to family.

Mum taught here in most of the local schools at one time or another and spent over 20 years teaching at Nayland School. Nothing gave her more pride than meeting past pupils and their families, in fact just last year at Open Gardens 2 different pupils came up to her and said they had loved having her as their teacher, Mum was beaming.

Mum joined in many village activities, she had a keen interest in people, she liked to do good, loved to participate and loved to have fun. Her teaching skills meant she was creative, she liked planning, making posters, scrap books, creating lists and quizzes - documenting anything and everything so her group activities encompassed all of these skills. She was President of the Women's Institute twice and held many other positions.

I remember sitting with my parents having tea around 4pm and Mum would suddenly jump up, having read her WI meeting schedule. Dad would be dispatched to their infamous attic and a flurry of activity would ensue – then Mum would come down with a creation – an Easter garden on a hat, a Christmas tableau on a plate or a souvenir relic from a past holiday. Off she



would go to her Women's Institute meeting to see her friends and enjoy a speaker with a competition entry that would have taken me weeks to plan.

Most impressive was Mum's work with the NSPCC since 1975 and later the Nayland Fundraising Committee; I found her records - over £77,000 raised over the years for various charities.

Good times were had with her recently departed dear friend Olga Alexander and many others who worked passionately on elaborate money-raising events.

I cannot ever remember coming home to visit without a cake flying out of the oven for some stall or other occasion, Tea towels piled up to be taken to do the teas in the village hall or raffle prizes being collected – Mum enjoyed a good raffle. Both my parents loved supporting the village fetes.

Mum's other loves were playing golf with the 'golf girls' and also ringing the handbells, which she always said was much harder than it looked. She continued even when her memory started to fail as she enjoyed the camaraderie of the group - who played at her memorial service.

Mum had a great love of animals. When my parents visited Assisi in Italy they bought back a statue of St Francis, Mums favourite saint – it sits on the shelf behind me here in the St Francis chapel. Mum has donated it to the church. She adored cats and was able to handle any animal or insect with ease and without fear. She nursed many injured animals and would carry a spade and sack in the car boot - the car would come screeching to a halt to pick up some dead animal - Mum would scoop it up and place it under a hedge - she could not bear to see animals left to be squashed in the road.

Finally her love of travel – mainly I think stemmed from her interest in people. She loved documenting the differences in cultures particularly when visiting Simon and I and meeting our friends in America,

My American friend Ted wrote *"Pam was a real Pip and always a joy to be around, I loved making her laugh. She had this lovely classic English demeanor with such a charming and wise touch of Python-esk knowing humour I miss her."*

I hear Mum saying *"that's enough now"*. She would not want to be mourned but would ask you to capture a fond memory of her and move on with a smile. She would also remind you to leave the kneelers straight, put them back where you found them. Thinking of the church cleaning team.

Pam will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by many.

## SESAW NEWS:



My mission, this month, is to find a home for two retired racing greyhounds that tower over me and have languished at SESA W for over a year.

Bodie and Mikey, aged five and four respectively could be separated but that would be a shame as they have always been together. They need

an experienced home with no cats, two on-lead walks a day and a comfy sofa. If you have room in your heart and home for these beautiful creatures, please leave a phone message or email with your contact details.

By the way, we will be selling various items at a Boot Sale on the Football Ground in Long Melford, CO10 9JY, 2.30pm on 9th June. We will also have a stall and a Pets Corner at the Summer Fete on Leavenheath Village Green, CO6 4PY, 1pm of 17th June. Do pop in to say hello if you fancy a trip out.

More volunteers are still needed to look after the dogs, cats, rabbits and other small animals until the right person comes along. If you would like to help or are looking for a new pet to complete your family, please visit our website or call in to see our many rescued animals. We are open 10am to 1pm, Thursday to Sunday and look forward to seeing you. You may even catch a glimpse of me, **Kenny (the Boss) Chihuahua**.

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## ALEXANDER MURRISON

(October 1925 – March 2023)

Alex, as he was known in Nayland, was born on 31 October 1925 in Colworth Road, Leytonstone and was the first child of Alexander Robert Murrison, and his wife Doris. His father had moved to London as a child from the North East Coast of Scotland. Soon after Alex was born, his father took a job as a Chief Engineer with Trinity House, and they moved to Dovercourt. It was there that his three brothers Bill, Peter and Donald were born.

Alex attended the Central School in Harwich and the Junior Technical School in Colchester. As they were living in Dovercourt and at risk from German air raids, the three eldest brothers were evacuated in 1940 to the West Country. Alex lived with a farming family who also ran the local butchers; he became the butcher's assistant, and developed the carving skills that in later years he would ceremonially display when addressing his family Sunday roast.

He returned to Dovercourt aged 17 years, to take up an engineering apprenticeship with Cocksedge & Co in Ipswich. With wartime transport being restricted he cycled to work every day, a round trip of 40 miles. He also volunteered for the Air Raid Precautions Unit (ARP) where he became a dispatch rider at the Harwich Report and Control Centre. He mastered a new set of wheels, this time a Royal Enfield motorbike. After the war he was instrumental in re-forming the 4th Dovercourt Sea Scouts Group; he became assistant Scout Master in 1944 and Scout Master in 1945.

On completion of his apprenticeship Alex joined the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company. He was rapidly promoted to Chief Engineer. He had a series of worldwide appointments to various passenger and general cargo ships. Whilst with P&O he volunteered for the Royal Naval Reserve and achieved the rank of Commander. He received the Reserve Decoration for distinguished RNR service. In the following years he became a Chartered Engineer and Fellow of the Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology.

Alex met Jo in 1957 and they married in March 1959: three children followed: Robert, Mark, and Sally. They settled in Brentwood where Alex took up an appointment ashore as Technical Superintendent with the P&O in London. In 1972 the family moved to Danbury and Alex took a new job as Training Manager for British Gas, in their Marble Arch Office. In 1982 the family moved to Brickwall House in Layer de la Haye. The house lent itself to many happy family reunions.



Alex was a great family man, always open and honest with his feelings, wise and considerate with his advice. He gave the children great freedom to experience the world around them and supported them in their endeavours; they all followed in his footsteps with careers at sea.

He was delighted to become a grandfather with the arrival of Katie followed by Annabel, Harriet, Amaia and Alexander. He enjoyed sharing time with them all and was always very proud of their achievements. Following retirement, he was able to dedicate more time to sailing, playing golf and gardening, but it also gave him the opportunity to become more involved with the local community.

He became Chairman of the South Colchester and Maldon Conservative Constituency and was instrumental in organising and encouraging local support. They moved to Nayland in 1995. Here he became Church Warden and Chairman of St James' Church Fabric Committee. He was proud of the various projects, including heating and lighting upgrades, stonework repairs, and a new gate in the church yard.

The Royal British Legion was also a charity that remained close to his heart; he participated actively with the local branch.

Both Alex and Jo enjoyed being an integral part of the Nayland village community, and appreciated the support given and the friendships made. Alex was part of a generation that personified duty and service. He took pleasure in giving and making a difference, while expecting nothing in return.

Alex's life spanned 97 years during which time he witnessed profound changes, and monumental events in the world; he navigated through these times and lead a long and happy life. He enjoyed engaging with people and learning new skills. From learning useful phases in Hindustani the language of his engine room crew, to reciting by heart favourite monologues such as 'Spotty' and 'The Night Watchman's Story' at family get-togethers, and learning Morse Code for a Yacht Masters exam, he always rose to the challenge. He picked up computer skills for the first time in his eighties, helped by his grandchildren who were always keen to give him tips. He led a full and active life until very recently and retained his alertness and optimism right up until the end. He still enjoyed smoking his pipe and drinking the odd Gin & Tonic.

Some comfort can be drawn that Alex is now reunited with his beloved wife Jo, but he will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by many.

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# Calendar



*Cygnets at Caley Green, Hannah Papusha*



*Nayland Flower Show, Kathryn Niven*



*Mill Street, Helen Gladwell*



*Nayland from Gravel Hill, Leila Wyllie*

The photographic competition to generate images for the 2024 Nayland with Wissington Calendar took place over the weekend of 29th April-1st May. There were just over 200 beautiful photographs submitted by over 30 residents, making selection of just twelve scenes and a cover very difficult indeed; thank goodness the choice is made by residents!

Those viewing online over the weekend made their choices and the photographs selected were submitted by Amelie Palmer (age 9), Patsie Ford, Mandy Cook, Darius Laws, Di Green, Chris Storey, Stuart Howells, Julie Clarke, Hazel Gardiner and Annabel Hitchcock. Congratulations and very well done to all.

You will have to wait for the calendar to see the selected entries but shown here are an example of some of the other delightful images submitted. As hoped entries represented the different seasons with our range of weather conditions, from glorious sunshine to mist and light snow.

Locations ranged from village activities and events such as the Nayland Platinum Jubilee Party, Christmas events, Nayland 10k Fun Run, the Flower Show and river recreation to parish landmarks, such as St James' and St Mary's churches. There were a variety of street scenes, views of the meandering river Stour, the countryside and farming views and some interesting architectural and natural features. Several people managed to capture spur of the moment scenes, with our feathered and furry residents.

Thank you to everyone who participated.

The images selected for inclusion in the calendar are now being inserted in the village calendar which will go on sale at



*Wintry view at Pops Piece, Vicki Sargent*



*Platinum Jubilee Party, Leigh Sebba*



# Competition

the Flower Show on 5th August and thereafter at various village venues and events.

In the meantime, don't forget to keep your cameras to hand to capture scenes for next year's competition; it's amazing how often the most fabulous shots come from just being in the right place at the right time.

View these images in the colour version of the Community Times at [www.naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk](http://www.naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk) on the Community Times page. All the photographs submitted will remain online for viewing in the Calendar page of the same website.



*The old oak at sunrise, Kathrine Spencer*



*View of St James' Church, Rebecca Spendiff*



*Night lights at St James' Church, Maggie Ryan*



*Wintry scene at Wiston. Julian Baker*



*Heron over Nayland Meadow pond, Roy Clarke*



*Farmer stopping off for supper, Sally Dalton*



*Nayland Bonfire Fireworks Night, Phil Border*



## FIVE PARISHES CHURCH SERVICES:

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES

Nayland, Wiston, Leavenheath, Stoke by Nayland & Polstead

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### CHURCH SERVICES: June

<u>Sunday</u> <u>28th May</u>	8.00 am	Holy Communion BCP	Wiston
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Stoke
	11.15am	Holy Communion	Leavenheath
	6.30pm	Sung Evensong BCP	Nayland
<u>Sunday 4th</u>	8.00am	HC BCP (SJ)	Nayland
	9.30am	First Sunday	Leavenheath VH
	9.30am	Holy Communion (SJ)	Wiston
	11.15am	Holy Communion (SJ)	Polstead
	4.00pm	Godparent Service	Stoke
<u>Sunday 11th</u>	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Leavenheath
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Nayland
	11.00am	Holy Communion (VA)	Stoke
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer	Wiston
<u>Saturday 18th</u>	8.00am	HC BCP (SJ)	Stoke
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Polstead
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Wiston
	10.00am	Family Service (HS/SJ)	Nayland
	6.30pm	Evening Praise	Leavenheath VH
<u>Sunday 25th</u>	8.00 am	HC BCP (SJ)	Wiston
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Stoke
	11.15am	Holy Communion (SJ)	Leavenheath
	6.30pm	Sung Evensong BCP	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 in the weekly pew sheet. Do join us in our weekday worship.

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

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

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

### CHURCH CONTACT ALL DETAILS ON PAGE 47

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

**Rector:** Revd Stéphane Javelle on 01206 263589 or [rev.stephane.javelle@eclipsio.eu](mailto:rev.stephane.javelle@eclipsio.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.

### CHURCH SERVICES: July

<u>Sunday 2nd</u>	8.00 am	HC BCP (SJ)	Nayland
	9.30am	First Sunday	Leavenheath VH
	9.30am	Holy Communion (SJ)	Wiston
	11.15am	HC & Baptism (SJ)	Polstead
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer	Stoke
<u>Sunday 9th</u>	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Leavenheath
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Nayland
	11.00am	Holy Communion (VA)	Stoke
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer	Wiston
<u>Sunday 16th</u>	8.00am	HC BCP (SJ)	Stoke
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Polstead
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Wiston
	10.00am	Family Service (HS/SJ)	Nayland
	6.30pm	Evening Praise	Leavenheath VH
<u>Sunday 23rd</u>	8.00 am	Holy Communion BCP	Wiston
	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Stoke
	11.15am	Holy Communion	Leavenheath
	6.30pm	Sung Evensong BCP	Nayland
<u>Sunday 30th</u>	10.00am	Gospel Oak service + recommissioning of elders with Archdeacon David	Polstead
<u>Sunday 6th</u> <u>August</u>	8.00 am	HC BCP (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

## A CELEBRATION OF NEW LIFE: BAPTISM - GODPARENTS Sunday 4th June

4pm, St Mary's Stoke-by-Nayland.

We are inviting every family - parents, children, godparents, grandparents, friends - who have held a baptism in one of our five churches or even those who would just like to join the celebratory event.

Plus an insight into what makes a good Godparent. The service will be followed by drinks and refreshments. Please consider inviting your children's Godparents and ask them to join us all at this celebratory service.

### FROM THE REGISTERS



### MEMORIAL SERVICES

Pamela Baker  
Olga Alexander

### BURIAL OF ASHES

Pamela Baker

### BAPTISMS

Edward Francis John Nicholls  
Eleanor Beatrice Jane Nicholls



## ROGATION SUNDAY: 14TH MAY

On a brilliant sunny afternoon, some twenty parishioners took part in the traditional Rogation Sunday service of 'Beating the Bounds', journeying through Nayland and Wiston and asking for God's blessing on our communities, crops, animals, fields and rivers.

The service was led by Derek Johns and David Pryor, and finished with a splendid tea in Wiston churchyard, extra special as it was George Storey's 91st birthday.



## NAYLAND FAMILY SERVICE

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



### Dear All,

The lovely days of sunshine and long evenings are now being enjoyed. We now can enjoy late walks around the villages and we can see people starting to board their canoes by the river Stour.

The lovely days are also accompanied by the various events and activities of the parishes. Some joyful events like Nayland Fête, the Coronation in May, Stoke-by-Nayland Godparents' service, Leavenheath Fête in June, the Gospel Oak service in Polstead in July etc... have been enlightening our villages' life, as well as dutiful events like the APCMs (general assemblies) of the parish churches.

The APCMs are a moment when we reflect on our activities on the previous year and on where we want to go for the coming years. I am not going to make a report of the Benefice here. Feel free however to contact us if you wish to read it. I could still give you a synopsis like we do for a film before we watch it.

**Things achieved:** A new rota of services so that all parishes have several in the month and can see the rector regularly. Four efficient pantries and an active hardship fund that are providing the care for those in need in the Benefice. A deepened relationship not only with our CoFE school but also with our county school. A care for the teaching through Lent Courses. The multiplication of pastoral visits. A good support for the social and religious events across the villages.

**Things on the go:** Enhancing the presence on social media. The shaping of a new website.

**Future Project:** A pastoral campaign to promote sacraments (Baptisms, 1st communion and Confirmation). Making churches more welcoming and comfortable for both the use of services and events of the wider community.

We usually think that money is always the solution to make projects real. It is a necessary tool indeed. We would not have been able to launch the repairs of St Mary's Stoke-by-Nayland without the various grants, fundraising and donators. Our Community Pantries and Hardship Fund would not function properly without the support of people and institutions who give every month substantial help.

However, volunteers are the real value. It is thanks to the dedication of all the people who give time for all these projects that they can be achieved. We have got across the five parishes

wonderful people who give their time regularly for small and great things, they make a world of difference. But more volunteers are always welcome. Because we do not want all the tasks to be on a few number of shoulders and because we want to enjoy a true lively fellowship. Churchgoers are not the only ones who want to make a difference in the everyday life of our neighbours in the community.

This is the reason why I will often be advertising vacancies. Make a difference and join us for:

- **Nayland:** a second churchwarden, PCC members and a secretary of the PCC, Pantry volunteers.#
- **Wis(sing)ton:** PCC members#
- **Stoke-by-Nayland:** a second churchwarden, PCC members, Pantry volunteers.#
- **Polstead:** a second churchwarden, PCC members, Pantry volunteers.#
- **Leavenheath:** a second churchwarden, Pantry volunteers (urgent!), 'Friends of St Matthew's church' members.#

And for the Benefice: people who have skills and/or interest into renewable energy.

Enjoy a lovely beginning of the Summer.

**Rev Stéphane, your Rector.**

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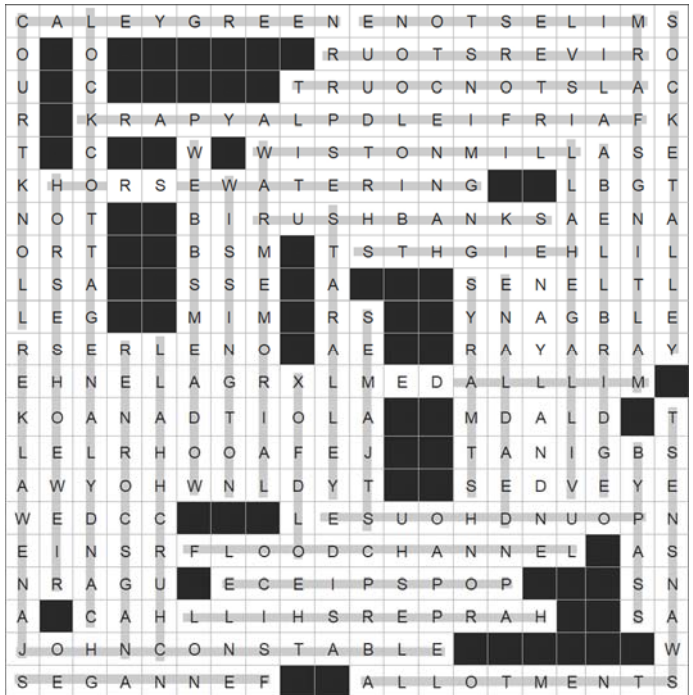
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Timetable from 16th April 2023

No service on Sunday or Public Holidays

Monday to Saturday	84 NS	784	784	784	784	84A	784	84 Sch	84 Hol					
Sudbury Bus Station	0657	0905	1005	1105	1205	1245	1405	1507	1516	<b>Sch:</b> Suffolk Schooldays <b>ESch:</b> Essex Schooldays <b>NSch:</b> Sat & Mon-Fri in School holidays <b>Hol:</b> Mon-Fri in School hols <b>NS:</b> not Saturday <b>Th:</b> Thursday only <b>*:</b> 784 stops at Northern Approach Road for Hosp				
Great Cornard School	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1520	.....					
<b>Nayland Surgery</b>	<b>0744</b>	.....	.....	.....	.....	<b>1326</b>	.....	<b>1602</b>	<b>1602</b>					
<b>Nayland Turning</b>	.....	<b>0929</b>	<b>1029</b>	<b>1129</b>	<b>1235</b>	.....	<b>1429</b>	.....	.....					
Cordelia Drive Myland	0756	0938	1038...	1138	1244	.....	1438	1613	1613					
Colchester Gen. Hosp. *	0801	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1617	1617					
Colchester North Station	0806	0943	1043	1143	1249	.....	1443	1622	1622					
Colchester High Street	0811	0948	1054	1154	1254	.....	1454	1627	1627					
Norman Way Schools	0825	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....					
Monday to Saturday	84 Sch	784 NS	84A	784	784	784 Sat	784	784	784 NSch	784 Sch	84 ESch	84 EHol	784	
Norman Way Schools	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1545	.....	.....	
Colchester Head Street	.....	.....	0915	0934	1038	1138	1238	1338	1438	1438	1609	1639	1744	
Colchester North Station	.....	0850	0919	0938	1042	1142	1242	1342	1442	1442	1613	1643	1745	
Turner Road, for Hospital *	.....	.....	0925	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1619	1649	.....	
Cordelia Drive Myland	0732	0855	0928	0943	1047	1147	1247	1347	1447	1447	1622	1652	1753	
<b>Nayland Surgery</b>	<b>0744</b>	.....	0940	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	<b>1634</b>	<b>1704</b>	.....	
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## VILLAGE DIARY

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<b>May</b> 22nd	Royal British Legion: 'HMS Conqueror' Cdr Jonty Powis 7.30pm Church Hall <i>page 22</i>
<b>June</b> 2nd 5th 8th 14th 19th 21st 23rd 24th	<p>Village Cinema: '<i>Charade</i>' 6.30pm for 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 17 &amp; 24</i></p> <p>Village Hall Management Committee meeting 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 31 &amp; 47</i></p> <p>Women's Institute: '<i>The History of the WI</i>' Sheila Webb 2.30pm Village Hall <i>page 27</i></p> <p>Parish Council: meeting 7.30pm Village Hall or by Zoom <i>page 2 &amp; 47</i></p> <p>Conservation Society: '<i>Memories of Nayland</i>' Sir Bob Russell 7.15for 7.30pm Village Hall <i>pages 12 &amp; 28</i></p> <p>HortSoc: Coach outing to Bressingham Gardens coach leaves 9.30am <i>page 16 &amp; 26</i></p> <p>Village Cinema: '<i>The Fabelmans</i>' 6.30pm for 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 17 &amp; 24</i></p> <p>Village Hall Roof Fundraiser: Midsummer Prom in the Park 6.30pm Village Hall <i>page 9 &amp; 31</i></p>
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<b>August</b> 5th 9th 18th	<p>Nayland Summer Flower Show 2pm-5pm Village Hall <i>page 13 &amp; 26</i></p> <p>Parish Council: summer meeting only held if needed for urgent matters <i>page 3 &amp; 47</i></p> <p>Village Cinema: '<i>Tár</i>' 6.30pm for 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 17 &amp; 24</i></p>
<b>September</b> 11th 16th	<p>Royal British Legion: Talk by David Pryor 7.30pm Church Hall <i>page 22</i></p> <p>Village Hall Roof Fundraiser: Fun, Food &amp; Festivities 1pm-10.30pm Village Hall <i>page 28 &amp; 31</i></p>
<b>Forward Planner</b>	<p>11th October Village Lunch: Samantha Rowley '<i>A Day at the Camulodunum Races</i>' <i>page 24</i></p> <p>24th October HortSoc: Talk by Jacqueline Aviolet <i>page 26</i></p> <p>30th October Community Council: meeting Church Hall 8pm (<i>Exec 7.30pm</i>)</p> <p>5th November Community Council: Bonfire &amp; Fireworks 6.30 for 7pm Village Hall Playing Field</p>

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