



NAYLAND^{WITH}WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES

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CLOCKS FALL BACK

Don't forget to put your clocks back an hour when you go to bed on 25th October! Enjoy the extra hour of sleep.

It's a good time to change batteries in smoke detectors and other home safety devices.

NEW 43 BUS SERVICE

The 784 and 84 service has been replaced by a new 43 service with variants; the 43A via Assington, the 43B via Assington and Stoke; and the X43 main road route.

There are now more buses on Saturdays and all week the last buses in both directions run much later (8.50pm and 9.50pm). Previously the last bus into Colchester was 2.30pm. There will be four buses in each direction on Sundays. See the timetable covering the two Nayland stops on page 46.

Sunday and evening services along these routes are funded by the HM Government Bus Service Improvement Fund (BSIP) through Suffolk County Council. The service is run by **Konectbuses** (trading as Hedingham and Chambers). See more including the full timetables at: www.konectbuses.co.uk



CHRISTMAS TRAIL RETURNS

The Christmas Trail has been so well received since it began during Covid that it has become a regular feature; getting together as a community and bringing a little seasonal cheer to the local streets.

Please set your creativity free and participate by creating an Advent window or decorating a Christmas tree.

This Trail has been enjoyed by those taking part and needless to say appreciated by the whole village.

Please get in touch before 23rd November if you would like to participate. Further details on page 13

NAYLAND FLOWER SHOW

Nayland & District Horticultural Society's 43rd annual Flower Show held on 2nd August created a colourful display in the village hall.

Many thanks to all those involved in organising and supporting this traditional village event.

View the full results on page 38



NO WASTE ON VILLAGE BONFIRE

It is with regret that we must insist that no garden waste or any other material is put on the bonfire. **THERE ARE TO BE NO EXCEPTIONS.** This is due to non combustible and potentially dangerous items being put on in previous years. We are obliged, for safety purposes, to take appropriate action if anyone ignores this notice. Mr Bugg has again kindly offered to construct the bonfire for us and only materials supplied by him will be used.

Bonfire Night: Have you got your tickets?

Please remember to get your tickets in advance - see page 10

OCTOBER 2025

No: 217

WHAT'S ON

Cinema: *'Penguin Lessons'* &
'Ballad of Wallis Island'

Community Litterpick

Village Lunch

Garden tidy at Village Hall
& St James' Churchyard

Talk: *'Kentwell Hall'*

Lizzie's Fund Drumathon
& Pre-loved Sale

Nayland Bonfire & Fireworks

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Talk: *'Upstairs, Downstairs'*

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NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Notes by observer of the meeting: 23rd July 2025

(Minutes will be available on PC notice board in the High Street or <https://naylandwithwissington-pc.gov.uk> after the next meeting)

PARISH COUNCIL

Laura Erith chaired the meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM

Sally Dalton raised issues with litter bin collections by Babergh at Caley Green during the summer months when they get greater use, adding that the collector is delayed by demand at Dedham and the need to deposit refuse at Gt Blakenham. She asked Isabelle Reece if Babergh could cater better for the seasonal demand; she agreed to investigate.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Isabelle Reece clarified that Neighbourhood CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) can be used to fund Neighbourhood Development Plans, but Capital CIL cannot. She has been investigating funding towards a Housing Needs Survey; the position seems to be that help may be provided should the survey help towards housing targets. She explained some of the debates going on regarding the Local Government Review and the proposals for 1 or more unitaries.

HIGHWAYS

Isabelle Reece said she had requested a road sweep of the Heights. It was agreed to contact James Finch to ask about Suffolk CC weedkilling the Heights ahead of a sweep by Babergh.

PLANNING

Councillors heard that Babergh had no objections at **3 Walsh Rise** [DC/25/01906] for erection of a ground and first floor extension and additional fenestrations; at **Sargents Farm Bures Road** [DC/25/02344] for erection of ground mounted 16 panel solar array, to north of existing buildings; or for works to trees at **6 Willow Grove** [DC/25/02488] to reduce the height of a Silver Birch by up to 3m and reduce lateral limbs to suit and at **9 Stoke Road** [DC/25/02654] for removal of Norwegian Maple.

Between meetings to meet Babergh's deadline councillors had no objections at **Westwood, Harpers Hill** [DC/25/02600] for construction of outdoor pool and erection of lightweight covered structures to existing seating patio areas to include plant; at **5 High Street** [DC/25/02567&68] to amended plans for erection of a single-storey rear extension (following demolition of the existing rear extension) subject to agreement from the Heritage Team; at **Snowdrop Cottage Bures Road** [DC/25/01879] to amended plans for demolition of existing garage and construction of an annexe, outbuilding and extension of the existing culvert; at **52 - 54 Bear Street** [DC/25/02884] to listed building consent for replacement of plain tiles on the East facing roof slope subject to agreement from the Heritage Team.

Councillors maintained their objections to amended plans at **2 Gravel Hill** [DC/24/03691] for erection of double carport as insufficient changes had been made from the previous proposal.

Nayland PC's tree surgeon has submitted an application for works to trees as identified at the recent risk assessment inspection [DC/25/03070]. These concern trees at Webb's Meadow/Village Hall, the cemetery, allotment field and Caley Green.

OPEN SPACES INCLUDING CALEY GREEN

Kevin Sheath will meet our grounds contractors to ascertain how the litterpicking is prioritised and see if our contractors could suggest improvements ahead of quotes/budget for next year.

Kevin Sheath said following a query during the tree inspection SCC have confirmed they own the grass triangle adjacent Caley Green. SCC will replace the sign 'weir ahead' near the tunnel. Updating on prevention of erosion of the bay, SCC have passed this on to their contractor Concertus to design a solution.

The donation of a bench would be discussed at the September PC Meeting. The kayak/paddle board hire company on the river near the Anchor has started with no issues reported so far.

ALLOTMENTS

A termination letter for neglected plots has been drafted. There is currently no waiting list. Allotment tenants have set up a WhatsApp group for general allotment chat. The Allotment judge was booked but they cancelled at short notice; Lorraine Brooks provided contact details of the judge used last year.

A proposed Allotment Improvement Plan had been shared by an Allotment Holder. A good response had been gained from a survey leading to various suggestions. It was agreed for the Chair to invite the Allotment Holder – Darius Laws - to join the Allotment Working Group and for them to consider and potentially agree a trial of using the vacant plot as a communal one to implement some of the ideas coming out of the survey.

FREQUENCY OF PC MEETINGS

Councillors discussed the possibility of reducing meetings to 6 per year - July, September, November, January, March and May. There were mixed opinions at the meeting; it will be discussed further when more councillors are present.

IN BRIEF

The Community Council are progressing with provision of a community access defibrillator at Wiston.

The Village Hall replacement roof works are now in progress; the PC have issued their financial contribution towards this. A councillor raised concern about vegetation encroaching the driveway to the hall.

It was agreed to instruct our tree surgeons to plant a Field Maple (Acer Campestre) in place of the dead tree growing out of the grave; this would be planted at a suitable place in the vicinity.

Owen Brown and Tricia Fuller were awaiting information about potential funding for a Housing Needs Survey.

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NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Notes by observer of the meeting: 10th September 2025

(Minutes will be available on PC notice board in the High Street or <https://naylandwithwissington-pc.gov.uk> after the next meeting)

PARISH COUNCIL

Gerry Battye chaired the meeting. There was no August meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM

Sally Dalton alerted the PC to a non-material amendment to the planning application for 5 dwellings adjacent to Paddock Grove. Councillors said Babergh did not advise councils of non-material amendments or invite comment from them, but the Council had requested updates on this site and would again ask Babergh to advise them on any amendment relating to this location.

It was suggested that if a Housing Needs Survey was carried out that the percentage of responses may be higher if the questions were simpler, more appropriate and less intrusive than the last one which only achieved a 31% response.

Lorraine Brooks asked whether the best-kept allotment competition had been judged since the Flower Show. Gerry Battye said the Allotment Association had let them down and no other arrangements had been made.

A resident of Parkers Way said that many residents of the sheltered accommodation were distressed that Babergh's Sheltered Housing Review may lead to the decommissioning of Parkers Way; the decision by Cabinet is due on 11th November.

Isabelle Reece said the view of Babergh's Head of Housing Management was sheltered accommodation should be protected.

Following an approach to the PC regarding formation of an Allotment Working Group with the aim of raising the community spirit a resident said they have identified a need to improve the fencing to keep rabbits and muntjac from damaging produce. Councillors said consideration is needed regarding the rules and possible future expansion but agreed they could present a proposed specification for the fencing, subject to agreement with other allotment holders, pest control and accessibility. The PC could then consider the proposal before the group moved forward in seeking grants for the project.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Isabelle Reece is working towards getting more regular grass cutting of the area around the old Harpers Estate bus stop; regular weather conditions and more frequent cutting should reduce weeds. She is also trying to get more frequent road sweeping along the by-pass. Action is being taken to resolve the issue of the dog waste bin on Caley Green, near the A134 tunnel becoming over-full in summer.

FINANCE

The Audit Report was fully compliant. The PC could consider for the future that (1) the Finance committee (not working party) could be held in public; this will be monitored and put on the January agenda; (2) the Council could benefit by having its own OneDrive for backing up; documents are currently secure but the Council will apply for its own OneDrive.

Councillors agreed that: SALC would be appointed as the PC's internal auditors, to go ahead with a 3-year insurance policy renewal option to benefit from a discount. All areas of the village are checked regularly to comply with the Risk Management Policy.

Kevin Sheath will meet with the grounds contractors to establish the specification regarding litterpicking with a view to making the best arrangement going forward.

PLANNING

Councillors heard that Babergh had no objections at **2 Gravel Hill** [DC/24/03691] for erection of double carport/machinery store; at **Snowdrop Cottage Bures Road** [DC/25/01879] for demolition of existing garage and construction of an annexe, outbuilding and extension of the existing culvert; at **25 Stoke Road** [DC/25/01526] for erection of two storey side extension including conversion of existing garage; at **5 High Street** [DC/25/02567&68] to amended plans for erection of a single-storey rear extension (following demolition of the existing rear extension) and for **Nayland Parish Council** [DC/25/03070] for works to trees as identified in the Tree Risk Assessment at the Village Hall/Webbs Meadow, Burial

Ground and Caley Green.

Listed building consent was granted at **52 - 54 Bear Street** [DC/25/02884] for replacement of plain tiles on the East facing roof slope. Discharge of Conditions was granted at **3 Walsh Rise** [DC/25/03306] relating to 3 biodiversity, 4 Decking/Patio, 6 construction management plan and at **52 - 54 Bear Street** [DC/25/03962] for DC/23/05592 relating to timber frame, infill and brickwork repairs.

Between meetings to meet Babergh's deadline councillors had no objections at **1 Fox Cottages Bures Road** [DC/25/03186] for erection of new garage and store (following demolition of existing garage and store) and at **Stour House 23 Court Street** [DC/25/03613] for works to trees: T2 Lawson Cypress remove to ground level, T3 Cherry tree remove dead wood T4 Lime tree crown lift by 2 metres.

Discussing recent applications at **18 Paddock Grove** [DC/25/03845] for retrospective application for the erection of a greenhouse in the garden councillors have no objections subject to shielding/diffusion of strip light as it is at risk of causing light pollution to neighbouring properties. Councillors have no objections to works to trees at **14 Court Street** [DC/25/03743] to reduce a Holly to previous pruning points, trimming to maintain shape and form of tree vegetation; at **43 Bear Street** [DC/25/03745] to reduce height of Hazel, Beech, Dogwood, Holly and to prune back to previous pruning points 2 Walnut trees; and at **Lower Courtwood 13A Court Street** [DC/25/03841] for works to various trees and vegetation.

The application at **Caravan Site Rushbanks Farm Bures Road** [DC/25/03427] for lawful development certificate for use of land as a caravan and tent camping site required evidence of previous use, if any was available, was discussed. Councillors agreed to send some photos of the site taken in August this year but have no other evidence to add.

CALEY GREEN

Kevin Sheath reported that Caley Green working party met with Suffolk CC and Concertus, the engineers who will progress the project for installation of revetment to protect the riverbank. A permit from the Environment Agency will be required, but they have declined giving pre-application advice. Concertus are gathering information and survey to progress a permit application.

The replacement 'weir ahead' sign has been replaced. The Willow previously severely damaged in a storm has been felled and removed. Councillors felt that a suitable location for a new memorial bench may be in the area of Caley Green near the Darts Association bench once the reeds have been cut.

FREQUENCY OF PC MEETINGS

Councillors discussed the possibility of reducing meetings from 11 to 6 per year. There were mixed opinions at the meeting; several councillors felt reducing the meetings would slow progress in getting things done; would not provide a good service to the residents and reduce the public's access to councillors. One councillor suggested it may encourage working residents to join the council; another felt more engagement was needed to attract new councillors. The Clerk said for a reduction in meetings to be successful Council would need to pre-empt issues, be organised well ahead and it would create more work between meetings. This will be discussed further when more councillors are present.

IN BRIEF

Councillors are pleased with the new fencing around the Fairfield PlayPark.

The new community access defibrillator at Wiston, funded by the Community and Parish councils has been installed at Wiston. A Parkers Way resident asked if consideration could be given to installing one at Parkers Way.

T J Evers are on schedule with the replacement roof on the village hall and expect to finish by the Christmas holiday.

A potential Housing Needs Survey will be put on the agenda for the October meeting

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The Community Council issued this appeal when they became aware that there are a few residents in the village who at times are unable to get out for themselves due to age or physical issues and would benefit from having a prescription collected, a local errand run or some shopping dropped off. Residents excelled themselves when the appeal was made by putting themselves forward.

If you would like assistance that we can offer please let Lorraine Brooks know via email at lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com or 262807.

Or if you may be able to help by being included on a volunteer list to help someone local to you if the need arises please make contact. Please let her know your name, telephone number, email and the road that you live in. Only when approached by someone who requires an errand would details of nearby volunteers / those in need be exchanged.

Nayland with Wissington is a kind and generous parish so we are hopeful this appeal will ensure residents do not feel alone.

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Local volunteers
to help neighbours

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when in need of help collecting a
prescription, an errand run
or shopping.

If you think you can
help please let
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or 262807



SCHEDULED ROADWORKS

Mill Street

1 Sep 08:00 - 3 Oct 23:59 BST
Road Closure from Bear Street to Fen Street
SCC: Bridge Lining Works

Gravel Hill

30 Sep 19:00 - 7 Oct 05:00 BST
Temporary obstruction (15 minute delay)
SCC: Lining & Associated Works

Court Street

10 Nov 08:00 GMT - 18:00 GMT
Road closure
UK Power Networks: Utility Repair and Maintenance

Further details: <https://one.network/>

This was correct when Community Times went to print

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRMANSHIP & WORKING PARTIES

Further details on page 46

Chair: **Laura Erith** lauraerith@icloud.com

Vice Chair: Dawn Harris

WORKING PARTIES:

Allotments: Laura Erith, Sam Treharne, Jo Reed, Ruth Beverley
Burial Ground: Laura Erith, Owen Brown
Caley Green: Kevin Sheath, Dawn Harris, Owen Brown, Sally Dalton
Fairfield: Gerry Battye, Dawn Harris
Finance: Laura Erith, Tricia Fuller, Sam Treharne, Debbie Hattrell
Footpaths: Vacancy for Tree Warden
Highways: All councillors with individual areas
Planning: All councillors
Trees: Terry Bannister (Tree Warden), Kevin Sheath, all councillors



WILL YOU BE ENJOYING A FIREWORK DISPLAY AT HOME?

If you are having a display please let people living nearby know when the fireworks will be going off, especially those with animals or the elderly.

Technology now makes this much easier. A simple post on Neighbours Nextdoor and our local Facebook group helps spread the word so animal owners know when to put animals indoors or administer sedatives.

Links to these social media sites are:

- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/StokeByNaylandBoxfordLeavenheathNaylandBures/>
- https://nextdoor.co.uk/news_feed/

DO YOU ENJOY WALKING OUR LOCAL FOOTPATHS?

The Parish Council is looking
for a new Footpath Warden

No specialist knowledge or experience needed, just a keen eye while you are out enjoying our wonderful countryside.

Please contact the Parish Clerk, Debbie Hattrell, for more information on clerk@naylandwithwissington-pc.gov.uk or 01376 425744.

Residents are encouraged to report any issues with the network of footpaths to the Parish Council and on Suffolk County Council's online reporting tool: highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk

YOUR CHANCE TO HELP NAYLAND'S COMMUNITY SPIRIT

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Nayland has for years been recognised as having community spirit in abundance with a good variety of activities on offer.

It is important that community energy should be encouraged... it can only flourish with the continued involvement of residents. Below are a few village organisations that would be delighted to welcome new committee members or helpers. If you think you may be interested, please make enquiries. Being part of a group is rewarding and you will meet new friends.

VOLUNTEER VACANCIES

Would you like to make a difference in your community by getting involved and thereby making new friends?

Then please consider putting yourself forward...

- **Community Council** would welcome committee members and/or helpers at community events: they meet six times a year, see page 47 for dates. Contact Rachel Hitchcock 07788 954309
- **Village Hall Management** would like another committee member; they meet on the first Monday of the month. Contact Iain Wright 01206 263646 or Chris Thompson 01206 262825.
- **Parish Council** need 2 more councilors to make a full council. See page 2 for details. A **Parish Footpath Warden** is also required - see page 6 for details.
- **Church Fete** committee are looking for volunteers to assist in planning the event, see page 32 or contact Kevin Walsh on 07342 235001 or at kevinmwalsh1@gmail.com

- **Village Lunch** is a friendly team needing help with preparing and serving lunches in mid-April and mid-October. Contact Gale Scott 01206 262061 or Terry Bannister 01206 262454.
- **Women's Institute** would welcome further members and also help with running their branch which meets on the second Thursday of the month at 2.30pm, see page 26 for contact details.
- **St James' Parochial Church Council** require a volunteer **Minute Secretary** for their 6-8 weekly meetings. There is also a vacancy for another **Church Warden** to share the role in maintaining the smooth running of church activities. Contact Kathy Hunt on 262014 or kath12hunt@gmail.com. Page 41
- **Church Bellringers** would welcome new ringers or those who have rung before; training can be arranged - see page 14 or contact Chris Hunt on 262014
- **Village Players** are in need of volunteers to help build their sets and help backstage. They have two productions a year. Contact Emma Wallis 07942 778536 See page 27
- **Horticultural Society** require committee members and helpers at some of their events. They are a blooming friendly bunch! Contact Trevor Smy 01206 262022. Page 28
- **Conservation Society** require committee members and helpers at some of their events. Contact Mike Hunter 01206 264100. See page 31
- **Friends of Wiston Church**, a charity dedicated to raising funds for maintenance and repairs of St Mary's Church, are seeking volunteers to join their team. Contact Simon Empson 01206 460250 (until 7pm) - see page 32

Please support the events organised by our wonderful village groups. They are so important to the wellbeing and future of our community but they need your participation in order to continue.

Suffolk
Historic Churches Trust



SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE

Another aspect of helping the church is fund raising and once again this year our stalwart tower captain undertook the annual sponsored cycle ride in aid of Suffolk Historic Churches Trust.

Fifteen churches were visited on the way to Ipswich. Here the opportunity was taken to see a replica of the ship that Christopher Columbus sailed on when he accidentally found America. The return home was a nightmare - the A137 and being caught in a thunderstorm at East Bergholt did mean the final stage of the mission was aborted and a very wet, cold and fed up cyclist headed for home.

Very grateful thanks to all who sponsored me, it was an enjoyable day (he lied!).



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COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT

Meeting: 3rd September 2025

Chair: Rachel Hitchcock 07788 954309

Full minutes available at: www.naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk

Rachel Hitchcock welcomed members to the meeting.

Executive Committee: As always new members would be welcome to join the team.

Fundraising Activities/Events: It was agreed to mark the Community Council's 60th Anniversary in 2026 at their July committee meeting and to discuss with Lorraine Brooks including a possible celebration of the CC in the Community Times.

Public Access Defibrillator: Defibrillators are located at the Village Hall and at the Fire Station. A new community defibrillator for Wiston is kindly being installed by Danny Thurlow without charge on 9th September. It will be located on the verge outside the houses, Bures Road, Wiston CO6 4LZ in place of the Parish Council noticeboard which is no longer needed. What 3 Words: //ahead.replying.repaying. Like the other community defibrillators it will be registered with the Circuit and Webnos systems with regular site checks reported to both systems.

Online Ticketing Facility: NaylandEvents.org This remains the principle outlet for selling tickets to village events. If village organisations wish to use this facility contact Justin Dowding.

Village Hall Gardening Morning: the autumn tidy will be on Saturday 25th October from 9am - as usual refreshments will be provided, it is a friendly morning, please come along if you can. Jo Metson will attend on behalf of the CC

Community Involvement: Ideas to help raise participation in village groups and events welcome. An item headed **Volunteer Vacancies** is included in the Community Times, listing the various volunteers needed by different groups; please let Lorraine Brooks know if you have vacancies to be included.

Resident Volunteer List: This is a list of residents prepared to assist other residents who at times are unable to get out for themselves and would benefit from having a prescription collected, an errand run or some shopping dropped off. If anyone requires assistance or could give assistance if needed please contact Lorraine Brooks.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Matt Cable gave his report on finances to 31st August 2025:

Breakdown of profits to date: Quiz £533, Community Times £388, interest income £224.

Grants paid: Village Hall roof £10,000, Maintenance of Horse Watering area £300.

Current Position: The accounts show reserves of £10,372 represented by Current a/c monies £9,059, Stripe account £366 and Cash on Hand £947. We hold £1,741 for the RBL Services Fund and grants are pending for: Horse Watering area £58 and Lizzie's Fund £153. **Therefore unencumbered assets are £8,420.**

Expenses year to date: £600 deposit for the firework display, £198 for 2024 defibrillator maintenance and £112 for hall hire.

GRANTS & DONATIONS:

Permissive footpath maintenance: The CC continue to monitor the two stretches of permissive footpath - Stoke Road and Court Knoll to Allotment field - and call Dan Bowman back when needed (obviously being mindful of restrictions due to nesting birds). The CC will also monitor the bodpave solution at Nayland Meadow and see how this beds in with a view to this being a possible solution to the wet stretch of footpath between Court Knoll and the allotments, keeping an eye on how often this stretch is impassable before considering approaching others to contribute. Tendring Hall Estate has said that they approve of the bodpave solution and would be prepared to contribute £1000 towards the project.

Thank you to David Slater – and also Mille Single and Jonathan Pearson – who have done interim maintenance on the Stoke Road stretch of permissive path to keep it accessible.

Royal British Legion, 80th Anniversary of the end of WWII:

The event on 31st August was very well attended and well received. Well done to the Royal British Legion and the team of

organisers for a thoughtful, sociable and entertaining evening including a supper of appropriate wartime fare.

A CC grant of £549 supported the printing costs of a commemorative book providing permanent record of life during WW2 particularly in Nayland and Wiston including photos, documents and personal family memories. This book will be on sale at Forget Me Not for £8. All profits go to the RBL Poppy Appeal.

First Responders: A grant application for £90 to cover hall hire for 2 Basic Life Support sessions in October was agreed. The sessions will teach local residents how to give CPR and use an AED. This will be excellent timing to coincide with the installation of the new public access defibrillator at Wiston. Dates of sessions: Sunday 12th October 9.30am to 12pm and Wednesday 15th October 6pm to 8pm.

Community Times & Websites: Thanks as always to all contributors. Heading towards the next deadline; please let Lorraine Brooks know if you have promotion or large items to include so adequate space can be reserved.

Village Calendar: Village calendars are now on sale at village outlets (Forget-Me-Not, Mill Street Stores, Studio B). Wendy sold 22 at the Flower Show which was a good start to sales. Vicki will have a stall at the Woodland Corner Inflatable Day on 13th September. Posters promoting sales have been distributed. Thank you to Lorraine Brooks, Wendy Sparrow and Claire Buller for all their efforts in bringing this to fruition.

FORTHCOMING ACTIVITIES:

Bonfire & Fireworks: Tuesday 5th November. Rachel Hitchcock, Claire Buller & Jo Metson leading.

It was confirmed that naylandevents.org will be able to sell the tickets, including the additional family ticket. Thanks to Justin Dowding for enabling us to do this. Thanks to Lorraine Brooks for producing publicity materials. A start time of 6pm was agreed to reduce rush on food purchases and potentially help with parking. Ticket prices will be: in advance Adults £8, Children £3, Family £18 - on gate (subject to availability) Adults £10, Children £5

Rachel Hitchcock is in the process of sorting publicity using Lorraine's list of publications/websites. Claire Buller will do local facebook. Becs Spendiff will print and laminate posters. Aaron (ice-cream van) is confirmed; Jo Metson will contact a fish and chip van with set price for attending the event. Fred Bugg has confirmed that he will do the bonfire. It was agreed to encourage entry to the village via Horkesley Road to try to ease traffic congestion and put cones in key places to avoid parking blocking route. It was also agreed to have a site meeting with Iain Wright (date tbc) to look at provisions we will need to make for scaffolding/building work.

Christmas Fayre: Saturday 6th December. Six external stalls are now confirmed. Rachel Hitchcock to contact societies to check that they are happy to have their usual stalls. Nayland Primary School Ukuleles are confirmed as is Father Christmas and his Elf. Vicki Sargent and family will lead on refreshments as usual. Rachel, Claire, Vicki, Jo and Becs confirmed that they would be available to set up on Friday night.

Christmas Trail: (Windows & Trees) The Christmas Trail will go ahead minus the wreath competition which was less popular. Rachel Hitchcock will co-ordinate but help with getting volunteers to participate would be appreciated.

Village Christmas tree: Sunday 7th December Claire Buller leading. The usual volunteers will be needed, Tracy Le Grys would like to help with this.

Father Christmas' Tour of Nayland: 24th December at 2pm. Our usual Father Christmas is not available. His elf, however, is happy to organise and Rachel will approach an alternative FC.

Fun Village Quiz: Friday 6th February. Rachel Hitchcock leading.

AOB: Rachel Hitchcock and Becs Spendiff will organise repairs to the CC Noticeboard.

Community Council report continued.....

SOCIETY REPORTS

The Village Players have started rehearsing for their autumn production of Ashley Burgoyne's comedy 'The Village Hall'. Mark Russell will be making his directorial debut. The group received 11 nominations for North Essex Theatre Guild Awards on 12th September - see details on page 27. Over 100 productions are reviewed throughout the year and the standard is very high so to receive 11 nominations is most gratifying.

Baby and Toddler Group have been closed for the holidays but autumn session will be on 19th, 26th September, 3rd, 10th and 17th October, 14th, 21st and 28th November and 5th December.

Woodland Corner's extension to the building is complete and went well in the scheduled 5 weeks. They will be able to have five more children plus a well needed staff room for their breaks away from the children. It will also be used as a meeting room and parents space! Their Inflatable fun day is on 13th September when families can come together again and enjoy socialising and new families can introduce themselves and make new friends. Breakfast and Afterschool is very busy and we are nearly full! Nancy Thomas is coming back to us and will train for Level 3 in childcare! She is going to be our new after school staff member as we need more qualified staff due to increasing numbers and ratios of under 5s.

Art Group sessions resume on 10th September in the church hall, at 2-4pm. All are welcome. We are arranging new sessions with our two tutors; they will be very informal and covering a mixture of drawing and painting skills.

Nayland Choir will begin rehearsals on 11th September at Nayland school hall, at 8-10pm. New singers are always welcome. We had another successful summer concert 'A Summer Garland of Song'. Some of the choir visited Blackbrook House Care Home where we enjoyed singing a selection of songs from the summer concert to residents and staff. We are now putting together our programme for our concert on 7th December.

Conservation Society have a busy Autumn with the community litter pick taking place on the 11th of October and on 14th October, Dave Steward will give a talk on Kentwell Hall. On 11th of November, Jackie Marshall will speak on the topic of domestic service in Victorian times and she has entitled the talk 'Upstairs Downstairs'.

In January we lost long standing committee member John Partridge. We have recently been advised by one of his daughters that John has left a generous legacy to the Society and the committee are currently considering how this can best be applied. As and when a decision is reached we shall report further to you. The committee will also be considering whether Open Gardens should continue to be held annually or whether we should move to a biennial event.

St James' Church On 31st August a short Act of Remembrance was held to mark the end of the WW2. On 1st September a

memorial event took place to remember Lt Charles Gumm Jnr which was attended by some of his family members and representatives of the United States Airforce.

The Harvest Festival service will be on September 21st at 10am. Our coffee morning had a short break in August but normal service has now been resumed. There are still vacancies for a PCC secretary and another churchwarden. Finally, please clear up after your dog in the Churchyard!

Nayland First Responders are grateful to the Men's Senior Golf Team from Stoke-by-Nayland, for nominating them as their chosen charity for 2025; a recent fundraiser raised over £3,000 for our charity. October 16th is the British Heart Foundation's Restart a Heart Day where a national focus is placed on early CPR and defibrillator use - two training sessions are being planned, see page 31 for details.

HortSoc had a very successful Flower Show and an enjoyable Garden Party for members at Candy Lane House. They will have a stall at the Christmas Fayre.

Nayland Meadow are pursuing their ambition regarding a proposal to install a viewing platform and management of the pond; investigative work is being carried out but there are many hoops that have to be jumped through. We thank Graham Wiles for making a good job of cutting the wildflower meadow. A lizard was seen running into the small area near the bend in the river which is why it has been left uncut. Otters and water vole have been seen. The improved footpath is regularly used and appreciated by many local people and visitors alike but it is sad to see so much dog waste left behind!

Village Hall roof project is progressing well and should be completed by Christmas. We are grateful for the current hall users and their patience whilst the works are taking place.

Date of Next Meeting: will be **Wednesday 22nd October** at 8pm (Exec 7.30pm) in the village hall meeting room.

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CHRISTMAS FAYRE RAFFLE

Donations of prizes for the Community Council's raffle at the Christmas Family Fayre on Saturday 6th December would be very much appreciated.

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

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL Bonfire & Fireworks Night on Wednesday 5th November Can You Help?

We would be grateful for a few more volunteers to help with setting up in the afternoon at 4pm, on the gate from 6pm-7pm, and selling drinks, etc. This doesn't mean you will miss any of the fun and the dazzling display!

Please contact Claire Buller 07971 065856 clairejbuller@gmail.com (sales)
Rachel Hitchcock 07788 954309 rachel_hitchcock@hotmail.com (gate)

Any help with the field litter-pick the following morning from 9am would be much appreciated.

Nayland with Wissington Community Council's

BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS NOVEMBER 5TH

Nayland Village Hall CO6 4JH * 6pm for 7pm * GUY & BONFIRE after Fireworks

Limited parking in the village. Please walk if you can. Disabled parking only at Village Hall CO6 4JH

TICKETS IN ADVANCE from <https://naylandevents.org>

Adults £8 - Children £3 - Family £18

Tickets on gate (subject to availability): Adults £10 - Children £5

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ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

**Open Meeting
& AGM**

Monday 24th November

7.30pm for 8pm

Church Hall, Bear Street CO6 4HY



William Hitchcock will talk about his ancestor

'Captain Matthew Flinders'

Captain Flinders, in a remarkable voyage, was the first person to circumnavigate Australia producing the first map of the country as we know it today.

Chairman: Robert Dossor 07879 843319 robert@ovcottage.com

NAYLAND-WITH-WISSINGTON

REMEMBERS 1945



A new collection of photographs, documents and memories to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the end of the Second World War

Researched and edited by Mary George and Wendy Sparrow

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The book contains personal letters, photographs, documents, and memories commemorating the six local men who were killed and telling the stories of men and women who served in the Armed Forces or on the Home Front during WW2. It also records the hardships suffered by civilians who 'did their bit' and their joyful celebrations at the end of WW2.

For sale at Forget Me Not, 2 Birch Street from end of August
and at the WW2 Commemorative event on 31st August, price £8

Nayland-with-Wissington Conservation Society

Registered Charity No. 268104

KENTWELL HALL

Speaker: Dave Steward



TUESDAY 14th OCTOBER

7.15pm for 7.30pm

Nayland Village Hall

All are most welcome

Entry for non-members £3

www.naylandconservation.org.uk

THE BRAIN TUMOUR CHARITY

LIZZIE'S FUND

GEORGE'S 12 HOUR DRUMATHON

fundraising in memory of Lizzie

Friday 31st October

10am til 10pm Nayland Village Hall

Sessions including:

- 12-2 Lunchtime Jazz & Easy Listening
- 3-5 Kids Workshops
- 6-7 Trick or Treat Hour
- 7 Halloween Rock
- 9-10 The Final Countdown

Join us for jamming throughout the day!

Evening BBQ tickets from <https://naylandevents.org/>

Sponsor George via <https://www.justgiving.com/page/georgesdrumathon>

All proceeds to Lizzie's Fund, on behalf of The Brain Tumour Charity

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Unsold items will be donated to EACH, in memory of William and Lizzie
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The Village Lunch

Wednesday 15th October

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




An illustrated talk by Adrian Tindal
Retired Archeologist, Chair of Bury St Edmunds Association of Tour Guides

'A Handsome Little Town'

A virtual tour of Bury St Edmunds and its history

Tickets: £15 on sale from 10th September
at: naylandevents.org
or from Mill Street Store & Deli (cash only)
Last date for tickets Friday 4th October




All proceeds to the Village Hall fund

Nayland-with-Wissington Conservation Society
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UPSTAIRS, DOWNSTAIRS

Speaker: Jackie Marshall-Ward



TUESDAY 11th NOVEMBER
7.15pm for 7.30pm
Nayland Village Hall
All are most welcome
Entry for non-members £3
www.naylandconservation.org.uk



NAYLAND & WISTON

CHRISTMAS TRAIL

A festive appeal from the Community Council

The Christmas Trail has been so well received in recent years and it is delightful that it is being repeated in 2025, getting together as a community and bringing a little seasonal cheer to the local streets.

Thank you to all who set their festive creativity free and volunteered to create a Christmassy trail around the village that can be enjoyed by us all.

Advent Windows

From 1st to 24th December windows around the village will be decorated and 'opened' each day. Please consider joining in the fun - creating a decorative window can be a great family affair. You just need to incorporate the number you are given and have a window that can clearly be seen from the street which will be illuminated each evening from when it is opened until after Christmas. Advent windows must be ready to be revealed on the date allocated.

Christmas Tree Trail

If you decorate a beautiful tree every year and want the opportunity to show it off then here is your chance. The design and decoration is down to you. All we ask is that your tree is clearly visible from the street and you supply a simple question eg. What's on the top? for a children's trail. Trees must be displayed from Monday 8th December.

Please let us know if you would like to participate before 23rd November so you can be included on the map: contact rachel_hitchcock@hotmail.com - 07788 954309

We just need your name, address, email address, phone number and which category/categories you would like to participate in. In agreeing to participate you are also agreeing to have your address identified on a map so that people can see where the participating houses are situated. No names or email addresses will be shared without your permission.

As last year, we will produce a map so that you know where to look for these festive delights and this will be available at the Christmas Fayre on 6th December, in the village shops and on the village website.

PUBLIC ACCESS DEFIBRILLATORS IN NAYLAND & WISTON

There are now 3 public access defibrillators in Nayland and Wiston with a new defibrillator (jointly funded by the Parish Council and the Community Council) installed on 9th September at Bures Road, Wiston to serve the more rural areas of the parish.

Where are the 3 public access defibrillators in Nayland?

- Nayland Fire Station, Bear Street, Nayland. CO6 4HY on the outside wall by the entrance
- Nayland Village Hall, Church Lane, Nayland CO6 4JH on the outside wall to the right of the main entrance
- The verge outside the houses on Bures Road, Wiston CO6 4LZ . What3Words: ///ahead.replying.repaying

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

All of our public access defibrillators are registered with The Circuit, the British Heart Foundation system linked to the Ambulance Service. This means that the Ambulance Service will refer 999 callers to the closest defibrillator if needed.

ALWAYS DIAL 999 IN AN EMERGENCY.

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We would like to set up a social club for young people (school years 6-8) in our villages.

Are you an adult with an evening free per month who could help run the group?

Are you the parent of a young person who has lots of ideas about what they and their friends would enjoy?


If so, please get in touch with Helen:
benefice.families@lspnw.org.uk

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Nayland with Wissington Community Council's

CHRISTMAS FAMILY FAYRE

Saturday 6th December
10am until 12.30pm in Nayland Village Hall

Fun for all the Family

Visit Father Christmas
Launch of the Christmas Trail
Musical Entertainment by Nayland Primary School
Traditional Stalls & Goodies, Raffle & Tombola
Festive Food & Refreshments
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To book a table at the Nayland Christmas Family Fayre

The charge per set of tables is £10 or for village societies £5

We are always pleased to welcome a wide variety of stalls to this festive, community event. To request a table/check availability, please contact: Rachel Hitchcock (Tel: 07788 954309) or email rachel_hitchcock@hotmail.com

By Friday 31st October at the latest. Limited space so book early to avoid disappointment



ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

POPPY APPEAL

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Saturday 1st November
10am – 12noon

Church Hall, Bear Street, Nayland
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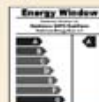


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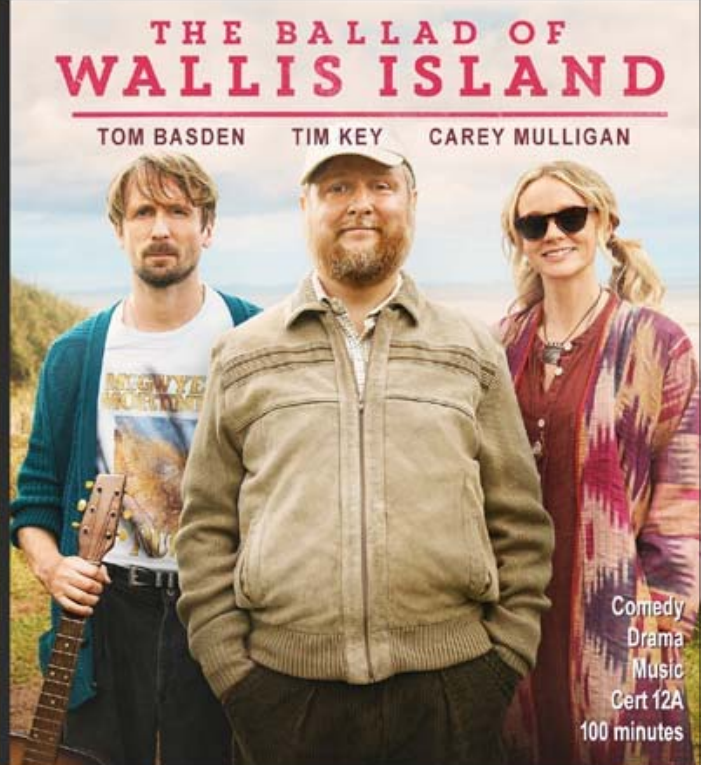
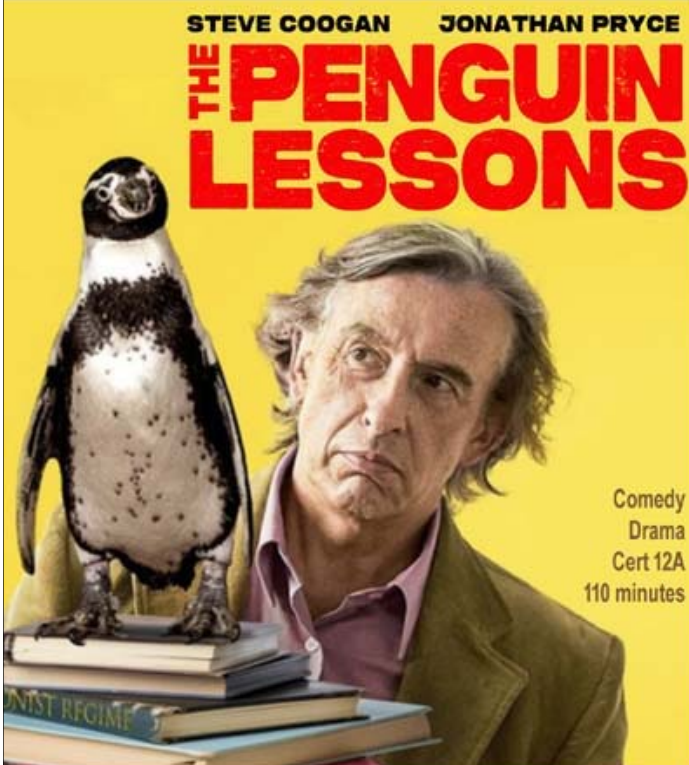


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NAYLAND VILLAGE HALL CINEMA

Door, Bar & Food from 6pm, Film 7.30pm



Friday 17th October

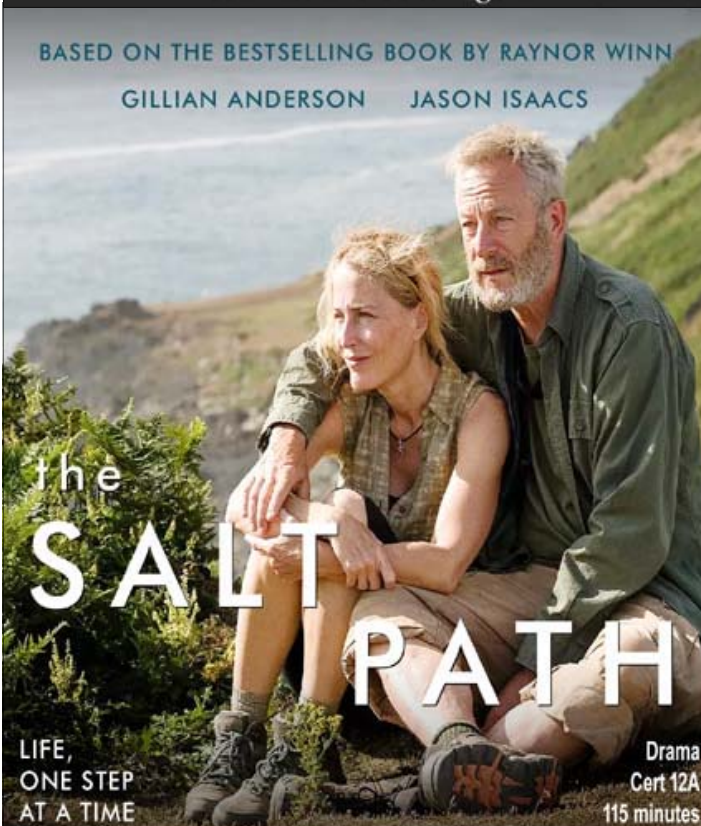
Friday 21st November

Tickets: film only £5 (in advance & on door) from naylandevents.org - further details on page 26

Bar with variety of beverages. Ice creams and other refreshments also available.

Delicious supper dishes from Mill Street Deli available from 6pm-7pm (*pre-booking essential*)

See menu & bookings at www.millstreetstore.co.uk/cinema-supper-club



Friday 12th December

NAYLAND COMMUNITY LITTERPICK

Saturday 11th October

Meet at 1.30pm
at the Village Hall Car Park

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

Equipment provided but please wear gloves.

Contact mikejphunter@gmail.com
or 01206 264100 for more information

Under starters orders.....



CANCELLED

RACE DAY

Friday 10th October

at Nayland Village Hall

Doors open 7pm for a prompt 7.30pm start

Tickets £18 to include a Hog Roast Platter
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Saturday 18 October
from 9am – 12 noon



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

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

For further details contact
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VILLAGE HALL GARDEN WORKING PARTY

Saturday 25 October
from 9am



Please come along and join us
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Refreshments will be provided.

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VILLAGE PLAYERS PRESENT

Ashley Burgoyne's comedy

The Village Hall



A directorial debut for Mark Russell

Wednesday 3rd December @ 6:30pm
Friday 5th December @ 8pm
Saturday 6th December @ 8pm

Nayland Village Hall, Church Lane, CO6 4JH
Tickets: Adults £10, Under 16s £6
from www.villageplayers.co.uk
or 07572 031769 markfrankrussell@gmail.com



This amateur production of 'The Village Hall' is presented with the permission of Ashley Burgoyne at www.ashleyburgoyne.co.uk

Nayland
Choir
presents...

What Sweeter Music

*Songs for Winter, including seasonal music
by John Rutter and Bob Chilcott*

Sunday 7th December

Nayland Village Hall
Doors open 3.30pm Concert 4pm
Tickets: £10, under 18s free
Mulled Wine & Mince Pies for all!
Available from naylandevents.org



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

As a reminder the Environment Agency (EA) 24 hour hotline number: 0800 80 70 60.

For Avian Influenza the DEFRA helpline is 03459 335577 <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/avian-influenza-bird-flu>



WATER LEVELS

The long summer heatwave and low rainfall have taken a toll on the river and the countryside. The weir has been dry, overgrown with surrounding reeds and looks in a sorry state. Pipes have been installed in an endeavour to prevent the weir from completely drying out but there is no flow.

Rainfall returned with a few short downpours in the second week of September; hopefully more will come to replenish the rivers, groundwater aquifer and help our very dry gardens, farms and landscape.

WATER QUALITY & SEWAGE

A Nayland resident has trained with RiverWatch to monitor the water quality in the river Stour at Nayland. It will be interesting to see the results of the testing here - see page 21.

REED & VEGETATION GROWTH

The situation with reeds around the Horseshoe weir (and other areas of the river through Nayland) remains disgraceful as can be seen in the photo. The EA are the riparian owners around the weir.

WILDLIFE & SWANS

The Swan family who spend time in Nayland, although didn't nest here, are doing well. And no territory wars have been reported. Their five cygnets have grown quite big and it won't be long before they start stretching their wings, take flying lessons and become more independent. The number of ducks remains low and the few there are can often be seen sheltering under riverside revetment platforms staying safe from predators.

↑ A delightful, but lost, scene by Nicky Blackbrough in August 2020 when water levels were quite low but when there were many more ducks on the river than now. ↓ The weir this August was totally overgrown and dry with temporary pipes inserted to try to retain some water within the weir.



RUSH HOUR ON THE RIVER

Some residents may have enjoyed hiring a kayak, Canadian canoe or paddle board from Stour Kayak who have been operating on Tendring Hall Estate land behind the Anchor this summer. It certainly appears to be popular, suggested by the high level of traffic and queues to use the portages near the weir.

This was not S2C (Sudbury to the Sea) which took place on 13th/14th September.

Thanks to Antony Day for these photos.



A family of otters were spotted on the Meadow pond very early on 30th August; unfortunately they managed to dodge the camera and then disappeared behind the reeds.

There have been sightings of water vole and burrows which are above the river (these will link to underwater entrances); along the river. These are not near the wall of reeds at Caley Green, where burrowing would be impossible for them.

BANK EROSION AT CALEY GREEN

As reported last issue SCC, owners of Caley Green, have asked engineering company, Concertus, to progress with the project to prevent riverbank erosion around the bay.

An ecologist review and topographical survey will be carried out. There has been a site meeting with SCC, Concertus and the Parish Council Working Party.

Concertus, with local evidence gathered (uses of the area by the community, visitor numbers, demographics, and proof of previous wooden revetment), will undertake the design work, submit a permit application to the Environment Agency (EA) and manage the work.

While the consensus of local opinion was to install replacement wooden revetment round the whole of the bay area this may be subject to the outcome of the topographical survey and EA approval: the EA have stated they are unable to provide pre-application advice.

It is hoped, going forward, that a regular maintenance contract can be established with SCC - which would include control of vegetation along Caley Green - so that this popular public open space can always be enjoyed by residents.

CITIZEN SCIENCE PROJECT: RIVER STOUR WATER TESTING

The Essex and Suffolk Rivers Trust together with Essex Rivers Trust have been encouraging local people to become involved in taking action to help restore the status of our rivers. They have set up Essex RiverWatch, a citizen science project to collect information about water quality across both Suffolk and Essex. This is to help target action where it is most needed.

Along with several other volunteers from the River Stour Trust, I have been trained by RiverWatch to observe the state of the river, and to record local wildlife and any signs of pollution. We have been taking samples of the river at Caley Green once a month.

We are able to measure chemical and physical characteristics. These measures comprise temperature, total dissolved solids, turbidity, ammonia, nitrates, and phosphates. We're unable to

measure bacterial load, as this requires costly laboratory analysis. The information from Nayland is recorded on a national database.

We have been taking and measuring samples since July, and am pleased to say that the results to date have not exceeded the expected safe standards (see table below).

Please note that we cannot say whether it is or is not safe to swim in the river at Nayland, as this requires bacterial assessment, but if you are keen on wild swimming you might like to take advantage of the Designated Bathing Water on River Stour at Friars Meadow in Sudbury.

This status was awarded in 2024 following a campaign led by River Stour Trust members. Water at that location is now tested for bacterial contamination by the Environment Agency once a week during the bathing season (May 1st to September 30th). Data can be viewed by going to the government's Swimfo website and searching for Friars Meadow.

| 2025: | 14th July | 11th Aug | 8th Sept | What level is considered good? |
|-------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|--------------------------------|
| Ammonia NH ₃ (ppm) | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 parts per million or lower |
| Phosphate (ppb) | 100 | 0 | 100 | 100 parts per billion or below |
| Nitrate (ppm) | 10 | 10 | 10 | 30 parts per million or below |

If you would like to volunteer for RiverWatch by reporting on a stretch of river, have a look at the RiverWatch website and get in touch with them. Training and testing kits are free, though of course donations are always welcome.

Gill Boardman, Nayland

BARN OWLS IN THE COMMUNITY BARN OWL BOX

2025 has been a poor year for Barn Owls in Suffolk but there is good news for Nayland. The long, wet winter delayed breeding, then the weeks of high temperatures created additional problems. In early June, four newly hatched chicks were seen in the parish Community Barn Owl Box by the official Barn Owl Inspection team. Two of them grew into strong healthy young owls and were ringed and recorded in mid-July. They fledged during August. The mother had been ringed at the first inspection.

Sadly, last year was a disaster for the owls using that box. Although four Barn Owl eggs were seen in June, the box had been 'invaded' by a duck species to lay its own eggs. None hatched. The culprit was probably an Egyptian Goose - a non-native subspecies of shelduck rather than a goose. These often choose to lay their eggs in tree holes, ledges or owl boxes. They are aggressively territorial, take over existing habitats of native owls and osprey in areas they spread to and have been seen on our local river in recent years.

Photos provided by Community Barn Owl Group





↑ The new fencing around the Parish Council's Fairfield Playpark sits well in the surroundings and will keep little ones safe. Thanks to Antony Day for this photo, and to Jan Verrall who managed to capture this shot of a cheeky squirrel squatting in an owl box. ➔

THE LONG REED BED AT CALEY GREEN

It was hoped, after a decade or so of lobbying that photos could be displayed of the wall of reeds at Caley Green being cut. Unfortunately the work was rescheduled to just after the CT went to print, so expect activity during the week commencing 22nd September when the river engineers contracted by SCC will commence work.

Once the work has been completed our endeavour will be to ensure there is regular management of the reed bed by SCC.

In the meantime, here is a reminder of what the river here looked like in 2010 and what we may look forward to again on the Caley Green side.



➔↑ It was a hot summer, especially for sheep, as seen here they took advantage of the shade on Nayland Meadow. Photo by Antony Day

➔ Jayne Kennedy spotted David Slater who has perfected returning brown bins in bulk from the pick up point in Church Lane to residents' homes in Newlands Lane.

↓ Benefice residents enjoyed Revd Stéphane's Rector's Party on 16th August.



SEE IT, SNAP IT, SEND IT...

PLEASE USE YOUR CARS CONSIDERATELY IN STOKE ROAD

Conversations continue and photographs are taken of inconsiderate parking along Stoke Road as these photos demonstrate. These are not one-off incidents with these vehicles... one of them even features on Google's Street view! The drivers obviously have no consideration whatsoever for pedestrians, wheelchair users or parents with buggies.



↑ As Mandy Cook's photo shows Nayland allotments have some colourful and productive plots. ↓ That is not the case for all plots. If you are interested in renting an allotment contact the PC Clerk, Debbie Hattrell on 01376 425744 or clerk@naylandwithwissington-pc.gov.uk



NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES

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



RELINING MILL STREET BRIDGE

Thank you to Martin Wright who photographed the progress of work to Mill Street Bridge during September. Work should be completed by 3rd October.



GRAFFITI ON WISTON FOOTBRIDGE

It is sad to see these photographs of the Wiston footbridge which has been defaced with graffiti – *perhaps by Debra and Rob*. Such an unnecessary thing to do ... *it's a shame the mushrooms didn't magic some sense into them*.

Such vandalism is a criminal offence leading to large fines and even imprisonment! The Parish Council are endeavouring to get the graffiti removed. Further details at <https://www.babergh.gov.uk/w/report-graffiti>



COMMEMORATIVE EVENT

While the anniversary of the end of the Second World War is officially the 2nd September, in Nayland the 80th Anniversary commemorative event was held on Sunday 31st August.

Entertainment featured the Breckland Brass Band and Wattisham Military Wives Choirs; there was an interesting display of artefacts by the 'Land Army Girls' and a display of local memorabilia. A commemorative book entitled 'Nayland with Wissington Remembers 1945' collated by Mary George and Wendy Sparrow went on sale with proceeds going to the Poppy Appeal. It can still be purchased at Forget Me Not, priced £8.



Descendants of Lt Charles F Gumm Jnr, a US pilot killed when his plane crashed in Nayland, were present for the evening.

After the themed supper, which was a reminder of war time rationing, the enthusiastic audience sang along to familiar tunes and a Vera Lynn Medley.

The event attracted a full house of supporters who enjoyed the evening, raising about £2,000 for the Poppy Appeal. Many thanks are due to all those involved in creating this successful event and all those who came along.

REMEMBERING LT CHARLES F GUMM JNR

The following day a number of residents and family of Lt Gumm visiting from America gathered at his memorial bench by the War Memorial for a moment of reflection and a short ceremony was

held with Revd Stéphane Javelle. Members of the United States Air Force laid a wreath. Nayland's Legion Standard Bearer, David Wiles and bugler, Yo Burgess of the Boxted Silver Band gave the Last Post.

At Court Knoll, the location of the crash that took Lt Gumm's life, Richard Turner, from Boxted Airfield Museum, read witness accounts in the official military accident report. Sir Bob Russell and Emily Cartledge, wife of the local MP, were among those attending. The evening concluded at the Anchor Inn sharing memories and a British pint with our American visitors.

Ashley Otto, great-nephew of Lt Gumm who was attending, said, "I am beyond thankful for the love and hospitality of the Nayland people and community for keeping Uncle Charles' memory alive."





Nayland with Wissington Society News



NAYLAND CHURCH HALL

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Nayland Church Hall is refreshed and ready to Welcome You

Nayland Church Hall has recently undergone a series of improvements, making it an even more inviting space for local events and community use. The hall has been freshly painted throughout, with new

flooring and blinds giving the space a bright modern feel. The toilet facilities have been smartened up to ensure a comfortable experience for visitors. With a capacity of 40-50 people and a well stocked kitchenette, the hall is perfect for parties, social gatherings, clubs and community events. We warmly invite local residents and groups to make use of this much-loved village space.

To enquire about bookings please get in touch - we'd love to welcome you.

REGULAR CLASSES & GROUPS HELD HERE:

Monday: 9.30 Acrylic Painting
 Tuesday: 1.30pm Handbell Ringing
 Wednesday: 2pm Art Group
 Thursday: 2pm Pilates
 Saturday: 8am Yoga

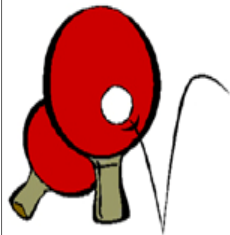


TABLE TENNIS CLUB

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The Table Tennis Group meet every Monday in the Village Hall, 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. No previous experience necessary and all are welcome.



NAYLAND ART GROUP

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After a summer break, we are ready to get together again and we'll be sorting out our pencil cases and paintbrushes for a new term. As always, we are meeting on Wednesday afternoons from 2-4 p.m. in the church hall on Bear Street.

We are a very informal group and our sessions are a mixture of tutor led activities and 'free' sessions where we choose our own projects. We are mainly focused on drawing and watercolour painting though we have previously explored pastels, collage and printing, tried some life drawing

and undertaken one or two joint projects.

Do get in touch if you would like to join us - no experience necessary and you can come along for free (and borrow some materials if necessary) to see if it's for you!



COLOURED PENCIL ART GROUP

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We are a small, informal art group, using coloured pencils, which can produce wonderful effects and results. We meet once a month, in the village hall on a Monday evening where we each work on our own projects. There is no formal tuition, but we will gladly provide help, tips and guidance and we all swap ideas.

Why not come along and give it a try? Materials can be supplied for your first session.

The next dates are: 20th October and 17th November at 6.30 to 8.30pm

Please contact Mary - details above - if you are interested in coming along.



NAYLAND CINEMA

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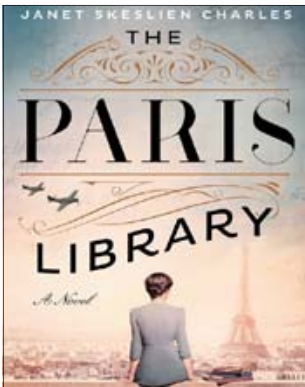
As we gently move from summer into autumn we may be turning our thoughts to darker evenings and getting the chimney swept! There is however always a warm welcome at Nayland cinema with an interesting collection of films booked to see us through to the end of the year.

Mill Street Deli continue to provide us with delicious suppers alongside a well stocked bar with other refreshments also available. Even though the nights are becoming cooler ice creams from Forget me Not will still be on sale.

Since the last edition of the Community Times we have screened *Bridget Jones: Mad about the Boy* which was enjoyed both by the *Bridget Jones* fans and the first time viewers! This film however was quite poignant also true of our August screening *Maria*. *Maria Callas* was a woman at the top of her field with an amazing voice and worldwide acclaim but whose career terminated early primarily due to the controlling and coercive behaviour of others, a film which received mixed views from the audience. By the time you read this edition we will have screened *Mr Burton* which from the trailer looks interesting and eventful as the young Richard Burton navigates his way to becoming the famous person we all remember and not just for marrying Elizabeth Taylor!

This film is followed by *Penguin Lessons* and *The Ballad of Wallis*, both with a comical element, followed by a complete contrast the *Salt Path* which ends the year. Please do come along to support Nayland cinema, everything is there for you and it's a great opportunity to catch up with friends and neighbours especially as we tend to hibernate as the year draws on.

- **Friday 17th October: 'The Penguin Lessons' (2024)** is inspired by the true story of a disillusioned Englishman who went to work in a school in Argentina in 1976. Expecting an easy ride, St George's College to teach both Rugby and English Tom Mitchell (Steve Coogan) discovers a divided nation and he struggles to keep his class under control. During a school break, on a day trip to Uruguay, Tom rescues a penguin from an oil slick. The penguin does not want to leave Tom so he reluctantly sneaks it back to St George's. Now named Juan Salvador, he adopts him and takes him to class. This ultimately succeeds in making them pay attention and excel in their studies.
- **Friday 21st November: 'The Ballad of Wallis Island'** is set in a very remote isle with no harbour. The film follows Charles (Tim Key), an eccentric lottery winner who lives alone and dreams of getting his favourite musicians, Herb McGwyer and Nell Mortimer (Tom Basden & Carey Mulligan) back together. His fantasy turns into reality when the estranged bandmates and former lovers accept his invitation to play a private show at his home on Wallis Island. Herb and Nell, who is now married, were not aware they would be reunited for this gig! This forces the musical duo to confront old memories, unresolved regrets, and long-dormant feelings. Herb is still in love with Nell. Old tensions resurface as Charles tries desperately to salvage his dream gig...
- **Friday 12th December: 'The Salt Path'** is the profound true story of husband and wife, Raynor and Moth Winn's 630-mile trek along the beautiful but rugged Cornish, Devon and Dorset coastline after being evicted from their farm and home, and Moth diagnosed with corticobasal degeneration, a rare, degenerative and terminal disease. With depleted resources, only a tent and some essentials between them, every step along the path is a testament to their determination. As they walk Moth slowly grows in strength and they make positive plans for the future...



BOOK CLUB

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We recently finished reading *'The Chrysalids'* by John Wyndham. Written in 1955, this science fiction novel is about a young man called David Strom, living in a post-apocalyptic world where any genetic 'deviation' is seen as an unforgivable sin. Even minor differences like a small extra toe would lead to exile or death.

David has the power of telepathy 'a mental deviation' but manages to survive for a time in his world before being discovered and then hunted.

Our latest book is *'The Paris Library'* by Janet Skeslien Charles.



NAYLAND AND DISTRICT WOMENS INSTITUTE

President: Lorna Rumsey 01787 211975

Secretary: Jeannette Finch 262993

In August we enjoyed our annual afternoon Summer Garden Party in Ann Channon's lovely garden.

At our meeting in September Jan Derbyshire gave a very interesting talk all about the *'Shelley Centre for Therapeutic Riding'* which is a wonderful local facility. They have about 100 volunteers who look after the animals and provide opportunity for people of all ages living with a disability to ride, or simply to have sensory contact with horses. This provides excellent therapy and great benefits for health, well-being and confidence.

At our monthly meeting on 9th October Robin Howe will be teaching us about *'Stress Control'*, something that will be useful for all; on 13th November Martin Wright will be revealing all about his *'Visit to Ethiopia'* and the Nayland Handbell ringers will be enchanting us with their ringing on 11th December. On 6th December we will have a stall at the Community Council's **Christmas Fayre** selling tasty Christmas treats.

We always welcome guests and new members to our meetings - keep an eye on the WI noticeboard in Nayland High Street for details or in your Community Times.



THE FRIENDS OF CALEY GREEN

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Well with the start of Autumn and the children returning to school, there are less visitors to the Green.

There were several branches down in the recent winds, and a couple of large branches from a tree by the tunnel which have now been cleared.

A new dog waste bin is being installed near the tunnel; it is larger and will replace the current bin.

A few ducks have returned, and the swans and cygnets are frequent visitors. The adults have been taking the cygnets onto the green and there has been lots of wing flapping but no flying yet.

We have been told that the reeds along the Green will be cut down during the third week of September.

We have gathered local photographic evidence (uses of the area by the community, visitor numbers, demographics, and proof of previous wooden revetment), to help support SSC's river engineers in their permit application to the Environment Agency.



VILLAGE PLAYERS

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The Village Players have started rehearsing for their winter production of Ashley Burgoyne's 'The Village Hall'. It's a comedy based around, you guessed it, a village hall and the people that use it - so I'm sure people will spot a few recognizable characters! Mark Russell will be making his directorial debut. Performances will be on 3rd, 5th and 6th December; see page 19 for details. Tickets are available from www.villageplayers.co.uk

Several of the players attended the North Essex Theatre Guild Awards on 12th September. The group received 11 nominations for Rapunzel and Moriarty. Unfortunately it was not to be and we came home empty handed. Over 100 productions are reviewed throughout the year and the standard is very high so to receive 11 nominations was most gratifying and we congratulate all who received nominations.

Best young actor - Will Torry as Rudi in Rapunzel;
Best young actress - Mia King as Rapunzel; Best actress - Emma Wallis as Gothel in Rapunzel.

Full-length Play category: Best young actor - Will Torry as Cartwright/Toby/Hans in Moriarty; Best supporting actor - Mark Russell as Otto/Lestrade in Moriarty; Best supporting actress - Fiona Haskell as Hilda in Moriarty; Best actor - Mark West as Watson in Moriarty; Best actress - Emma Wallis as Irene in Moriarty.

Best set design/construction - Rapunzel; Best props and set dressing - Rapunzel; Best full-length play - Moriarty.

We're on the lookout for people who can spare some time to help us build our sets. Our next production will be in December and we are hoping to assemble a small team of backstage volunteers. Set building will take place in October and November; tools are provided. Contact naylandvillageplayers@gmail.com for more details.

If you are interested in finding out more about the Village Players please email as above or head to our website, www.villageplayers.co.uk or check the group's Facebook page.



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 AND DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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Our 43rd annual **Flower Show**, held on Saturday 2nd August, was a very successful event. Our thanks to all who participated or came along to the Show. See pages 38-39 for the full results and photographs of the Flower Show.

We will be having a stall at the Community Council's **Christmas Fayre on Saturday 6th December**, 10am to 12.30pm in the Village Hall. As usual, donations for our raffle would be very much appreciated and can be brought along on the day or left with a committee member.

The committee are beginning to plan the calendar of events for 2026, starting with the date for the **Spring Flower Show** which will be on **Saturday 28th March** so bear this in mind when you are planting your bulbs this autumn – classes can be seen below.

There will be more news on activities for 2026 in the next Community Times and the website is being updated as plans progress. In the meantime here are some dates for your diaries:

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|--------------------|------------|
| Spring Flower Show | 28th March |
| AGM and Quiz | 14th April |
| Morning Market | 9th May |
| Garden Party | 10th July |
| Summer Flower Show | 1st August |



Spring Show Classes:

- | | |
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pot of spring bulbs, corms or tubers (<i>not Daffodil/Narcissus</i>) 2. Pot of 5 Daffodil/Narcissus bulbs any colour or variety 3. Pot miniature Daffodil/Narcissus bulbs 4. Pot of Polyanthus or Primula (Primroses) 5. Flowering houseplant 6. Non-flowering houseplant 7. 3 blooms (any one variety) floating in a dish of water 8. Flower arrangement: 'A Host of Daffodils' 9. Flower arrangement: 'Spring Fever' | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10. Vase with 3 stems of Hyacinths 11. Vase of mixed flowers and/or flowering shrubs 12. Vase of one kind of flowering shrub or tree 13. Vase of 3 Tulips (any variety/varieties) 14. Vase with 1 bloom Camellia 15. Vase of 6 assorted Daffodil/Narcissus 16. Vase of 6 Miniature Daffodil/Narcissus 17. 3 specimen Daffodil/Narcissus blooms (any one variety) 18. Rhubarb: 3 stalks |
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NAYLAND SURGERY NEWS

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Nayland Surgery is open: 8am-6pm Monday-Friday

Nayland Dispensary opening times: Monday-Thursday 9am-12.30 & 1.30-5pm and Friday 9am-3pm.

The **Surgery will be CLOSED** on the 27th November from 12noon onwards for staff training purposes.

Flu Clinics at the Surgery:

Nayland Surgery will be holding their Flu Clinic on the 7th October, West Bergholt Surgery is on the 8th and Creffield Surgery on the 9th. We will invite those eligible to attend in due course. Once invited please support your local surgery by coming to us for your flu vaccination rather than your local pharmacy, the surgery purchases the vaccinations in advance for our patients and do not want them going to waste. If you have cannot have your vaccination then, please contact the surgery as we will be providing appointments or "catch up" clinics.

Creffield Medical Group do not administer autumn booster Covid vaccinations. The NHS will contact you if you're eligible for a booster and you can visit nhs.uk to find a walk-in site near you or to book an appointment.

Dispensary: Announcement from Dr Gunasekera

I would like to inform you of our new prescription protocol from **1st October 2025**. We implement these changes to ensure high levels of safety when issuing your medications. Our Dispensary staff work very hard to ensure each prescription is ready to collect on time, but please be aware that some factors are beyond our control.

Due to an increase in demand for prescriptions, prescription issuing process and supplier issues, Dispensary requires **at least 5 working days** for a prescription. Please ensure you remember when your request was handed in and note the collection date will fall **5 working days later**. This includes online requests.

Please note: According to NHS prescribing guidelines we can only issue 28 days' worth of medication at one time.

We have zero-tolerance policy against rude and argumentative behaviour towards our Dispensary and prescription staff.

New Appointment System:

Reminder to our patients to book an appointment with a GP, please use the appointment system implemented in March 2025. You can contact us via the NHS App, Creffield Medical Group website OR if you are unable to complete the form via these mediums you can telephone us and one of our receptionists will fill in the application form for you or support you to complete this yourself. The request is triaged by one of our Lead GP's - and then the most appropriate appointment will then be offered to you.



NAYLAND MEADOW LTD

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F: Nayland Meadow



BOARDWALK AND DECKED DIPPING AREA

We are currently considering the construction a small, discreet boardwalk and decked area at the pond, as well as a project to desilt the pond. This is intended to enhance the Nayland Meadow experience for all. All financial contributions and comments welcome !

OTTERS & WATER VOLES

Well the good news is that we now have confirmed sightings of both otters and water voles at the pond on Nayland Meadow! This summer a female and cubs were seen on at least one occasion in the pond. One was also seen in the millstream earlier this year. So here is some information to help you if you spot something surprising and furry brown in Nayland next time you're out and about. Any sightings or photos of Whiskers and or Ratty..... please let us know and post on Nayland Meadow's Facebook page.

What Do Otters & Water Voles Look Like?

Otters are a lot larger than water voles. Water voles vary between 14 and 22cm in length, with a tail 9 to 14cm long, and typically weigh 200 to 350g. They are the largest species of British vole. By contrast, otters have a body length of 60 to 80cm, a tail between 32 and 56cm in length, and can weigh over 10kg. IMPORTANT - a water vole is not a rat !!!!! Rather unhelpfully the water vole in *The Wind in the Willows* is called "Ratty" ! Sadly it may prove too hard to convince people now on names.

What Does An Otter & A Water Vole Eat?

Otters are carnivores, whereas water voles eat an exclusively herbivorous diet. The great majority of an otter's diet consists of fish, although they will also sometimes prey upon birds, amphibians and mammals. A water vole's diet is dependent on the seasons and what foliage is on offer. During the spring and summer, they will eat grasses, reeds and water and wetland plants. During the autumn and winter, they will eat roots, bulbs and bark.

Where Do Otters & Water Voles Live?

In the case of otters their presence is likely to be fleeting as they periodically pass through their territory in search of food. Both otters and water voles can be found throughout the UK. Both species are dependent on wetland habitats. Water voles excavate burrow systems in river banks, and otters typically use natural features such as cavities in riverside tree roots as their holts or resting sites. They may also rest up above ground in undisturbed areas where there is sufficient cover. Water voles have a home range of a few tens or hundreds of metres, whereas otters can have home ranges of tens of kilometres.

Breeding Habits of An Otter & A Water Vole

Otters breed at any time of the year, water voles more commonly breed between March – October. Otters usually have 2 or 3 cubs; however, water voles normally produce between 2 – 5 litters a year with 2 – 8 young. As well as their breeding habits, their parenting styles differ too. With water voles, their young leave after 28 days but otter cubs stay with their parents for over a year.

SHEPHERD
07885 745074
 (if you see a sheep in distress)



THE VILLAGE LUNCH

Terry Bannister 262454 Gale Scott 262061

The autumn Village Lunch will be held on Wednesday 15th October at the village hall

when there will be a most interesting illustrated talk by Adrian Tindall, a retired Archeologist, and Chair of Bury St Edmunds Association of Tour Guide entitled, '*A Handsome Little Town*'. This will be a virtual tour of Bury St Edmunds and its history. It will take you on a tour of 1,000 years of Bury St Edmunds' history, from monks and martyrs to Saxon kings and Tudor queens, from talking wolves and Magna Carta to Georgian Chic and Mr Pickwick.

The format as usual; 11.45am for the talk at 12 followed by lunch at 1pm. A two course lunch will be served and please bring your own drinks. Tickets are £15 and will be available from 10th September until 4th October online at www.naylandevents.org or from Mill Street Store & Deli (cash only).

We look forward to seeing many of you once again as you support our village hall.



ST JAMES' CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGING TEAM

Jeannette Finch 262993 Rose Cottage, Fen Street

Many compliments have been expressed about the beautiful flowers in the church, particularly so during the weddings held during the summer in St James.

The village is most grateful to the team of dedicated and talented flower arrangers who keep the church decorated throughout the year. Donations towards flowers throughout the year, and for Christmas, can be given to Jeannette Finch, Rose Cottage, 5 Fen Street.

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 HANDBELL & CHURCH BELL RINGERS

Church Bells Tower Captain: Chris Hunt 262014 - Handbells Hazel Gardiner 262582

The glorious summer days are over, daylight hours are shortening, and the temperature is dropping. Time then to look out our pencils, folders, gloves, and music stands, etc, all pertinent to handbell practices. Yes, we're back in the church hall in Bear Street on Tuesdays from 1.30pm to 3pm, a little anxious as to whether we remember the certain more intricate pieces of music.

If you are interested come along for a while just to listen and to decide whether it is a hobby for you. A welcome is assured, as is a cup of tea - biscuits optional!

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

There is good news from the Tower; We have started to train two people to learn to ring the tower bell - when of course yours truly remembers to turn up!

Bellringing does take a bit of practice and patience... controlling a one ton piece of metal that you cannot see... with the reward of creating a real sound of old England!

As always, we are always pleased to have extra recruits to learn to ring our bells, or if there are any former ringers out there who would like to return to ringing I'd be pleased to hear from you. If you would like to know more please contact Chris Hunt 262014.



NAYLAND AND DISTRICT ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Chairman: Robert Dossor 07879 843319 robert@ovcottage.com

Secretary: Kathy Hunt 262014

Eighty years ago, people in the United Kingdom joined the World in a day of mourning for the war dead - worldwide, the cost of WW2 was nearly 80 million dead - the majority non-combatants - and praying for a better future.

The Legion's VJ Day and end of WW2 Commemoration event held on 31st August was a memorable occasion. A special welcome was given to the family of Lt Charles Gumm, who was heroically killed when he steered his failing aircraft away from Nayland Village in March 1944, saving lives and homes - a story in itself, told in the Commemorative book - see page 10 for details and availability.

We thank the Wattisham Military Wives Choir and their conductor Jennie Francis; Breckland Brass Band and their conductor Dr Marie Blakey-Stoppard; the Women of Wartime for bringing their fascinating display; the readers John McCarroll and Jim Bond; our catering corps for your delicious, if rationed, supper; the co-ordinating team but mostly those attending for making the evening a success. More details and photos on page 24 and an archive album can be found at www.naylandandwiston.net

At our September meeting Andrew Gowen continued the account of his life and career in HM Royal Marines, a story never completely told before. He spoke of his time in Aden, the Middle East and serving during the Falklands War and how dedication to the military often necessitated very long spells apart for families of service personnel.

The annual **Poppy Appeal Coffee Morning** will be held on 1st November, 10am in the Church Hall.

Remembrance activities will be along the usual format: on Sunday 9th November **Remembrance Sunday at the War Memorial Wiston** (10am), then at the War Memorial Nayland (10.45am) followed at 11am by service in St James' Church. On Tuesday 11th November we meet for **Armistice Day** at 11am at Nayland War Memorial in the High Street.

At our open meeting on Monday 24th November Will Hitchcock will talk about his ancestor, '**Captain Matthew Flinders**', who, in a remarkable voyage, was the first person to circumnavigate Australia producing the first map of the country as we know it today. The **AGM** business will follow; this will be our last meeting before we become a county supported branch. All are welcome to the Church Hall at 7.30pm for refreshments and the talk at 8pm.



There was a stark reminder of food rationing during WW2: Spam, corned beef and cheese were forms of protein during the War years.



NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

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As we move into the Autumn the Society enters a busier period starting with the Community Litter Pick held in conjunction with our Parish Council. This will take place on Saturday the 11th of October. Please meet at the Village Hall car park at 1.30pm when you will be allocated an area to cover and you will receive a litter picker and refuse bag. Please wear gloves and stout footwear.

A few days later we shall hold our next speaker meeting on Tuesday the 14th of October when Dave Steward will give a talk on 'Kentwell Hall' at our village hall starting at 7.30pm. Please remember that non-members will pay an entry fee of £3 per person.

On Tuesday the 11th of November we hold our final speaker meeting of the year with a highly amusing and unusual talk titled 'Upstairs Downstairs'. The speaker Jackie Marshall-Ward will speak about life in the Victorian household.

I am pleased to announce that I have received the final report on the Court Knoll Project which extends to 430 pages! However, it is not possible to make it available for public reading until the content has been approved by Historic England, the organisation that have designated Court Knoll as a site of historic interest. Once this approval has been obtained the report will be made available on the society's website.

You may recall that earlier this year I announced the sad loss of John Partridge, a loyal and long-standing committee member of the Society. I was recently contacted by one of his daughters who advised me that John had very kindly left a legacy in his will in the sum of £1,000 to the Society. The committee are currently considering how this generous gift might be applied.

Finally, the Society will be supporting the Christmas Fayre, organised by the Community Council, on the 6th of December.



NAYLAND CHOIR

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How swiftly the year goes by - in the last issue of the Community Times, we were reflecting on our summer concert but now we are already starting rehearsals with wintry and festive music ready for our next concert on Sunday 7th December. The concert is titled 'What Sweeter Music' and we have some super pieces to sing, including music by choir favourites Rutter, Chilcott and Quartel. Tickets will be available on www.naylandevents.org nearer to the concert date - so please come and join us in the village hall for a celebration of the Christmas season (I know - too soon - but it will creep up on us all too quickly!)

Planning further ahead, future concert dates are Sunday 29th March 2026, in the church, and Friday 26th June 2026 (earlier than usual), in the village hall.

If you have enjoyed our past concerts or are new to the area and would like to join the choir, please give us a try. Singing in a group is very uplifting and lots of fun. By the time this goes to print, we'll be a way through rehearsals for the December concert but do get in touch or just come along when we start the new term in January.

You can see our website for information and use our email to contact us or to ask any questions. Look out for our Facebook and Instagram posts as well!



NAYLAND COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS

Team Leader: Adam Lunn
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Our volunteers were honoured to be invited to lunch at Stoke-by-Nayland Resort as guests of the Captain of the Men's Senior Team there. The Captain, Kevin Price, nominated Nayland Community First Responders as his charity of the year for 2025. After our volunteers gave a speech to the team, a raffle was held for the charity, and the proceeds are being added to the other funds raised by the team this year.

October 16th is national Restart A Heart Day. This annual initiative led by the Resuscitation Council UK aims to increase the number of people surviving out-of-hospital cardiac arrests by helping more people learn CPR.

As a result, we will be holding two of our **Basic Life Support (BLS) sessions** at Nayland Village Hall on Wednesday 12th and Sunday 15th of October.

To book your free place please scan the QR code or search for "Nayland Community First Responders" on eventbrite.co.uk.

These sessions are free thanks to the hall hire being funded by the Community Council, but donations to our charity are always gratefully received.





ST JAMES' CHURCH NAYLAND

Kathy Hunt, Church warden Tel: 262014 kath12hunt@gmail.com

Our regular pattern of services continues at St James including the well supported Family Service held every third Sunday.

In addition on 31st August a short Act of Remembrance was held at the memorial in the church to mark the end of the Second World War. On the evening of 1st September a memorial event took place at the bench in the High Street to remember Lt Charles F Gumm Jnr. This was attended by some family members of Lt Gumm and representatives of the United States Airforce.

As we move into autumn we think about the Harvest Festival service which will be at our Family Service on 21st September at 10am. Our coffee morning had a short break in August (sorry to those who turned up - we had put notices out!), but normal service has now been resumed.

Following repair work at the West Porch the Community Pantry will continue to be located behind the font inside the Church.

The Parochial Church Council is still in need of a minute secretary, which is not an onerous role, and another churchwarden to share the role, so, if anyone fancies helping do please get in touch.

The working party for an autumn tidy of the churchyard will be held on **Saturday 18th October** 9am to noon. Helpers are welcome. It's a sociable morning and refreshments are served.

Looking ahead to autumn, on 31st October come along to see St James in candlelight and relax after the excitement of trick or treat and the Drumathon. Refreshments will be available.

The **Poppy Appeal Coffee Morning** will be held on 1st November, 10am in the Church Hall. on Sunday 9th November **Remembrance Sunday at the War Memorial Wiston** (10am), then at the War Memorial Nayland (10.45am) followed at 11am by service in St James' Church. On Tuesday 11th November we meet for **Armistice Day** at 11am at Nayland War Memorial in the High Street.

Finally, the churchyard is well used as a shortcut, resting place and dog walk, but please clear up after your dog.



NAYLAND FETE 2026 APPEAL FOR VOLUNTEERS

The 2025 Nayland Fete was again held successfully in May, being an enjoyable afternoon for all attendees and bringing in much needed funds for St James' Church.

This was again overseen by Annie Elston, as the chair of the organising committee. It will however be her last Fete as she is stepping aside after 20 years! She will be much missed!

It does remain the intention to continue to hold a village fete and the 2026 date has already been confirmed for Monday 4th May.

The organisational work doesn't commence until late in 2025, but we are now looking for volunteers to step forward and join the committee in order to arrange and run the event. If anyone is therefore interested in the challenge and would like to play their part in ensuring the future of our fete, please do contact me.

I can be contacted on 07342 235001 or at kevinmwalsh1@gmail.com



SUFFOLK CONSTABULARY

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Nayland with Wissington Crime Review

July : 1x Domestic Assault,

August : 1x Criminal damage to Motor Vehicle, 1x Theft of Motor Vehicle, 1x Theft from Motor Vehicle, 1x Possession of an offensive weapon in a private place, 2x Threaten a person with an article (knife) in a private place, 6x Non Crime Investigations

Non Crime investigations can include matters like Child or Adult Welfare Referrals, Domestic Non Crime Incidents, Domestic Violence Disclosure Schemes, First Instance Harassment reports and Sudden Deaths.

This month I would like to highlight a free phone app called What3Words, which can help in certain emergency situations. What3Words is a location technology app designed to make it easier to communicate precise locations anywhere in the world. The map is also accessible on the website www.what3words.com. It works by dividing the entire globe into a grid of 3 metre by 3 metre squares, with each square assigned a unique combination of three random words - for example, ///relegate.hexes.hazy

Suffolk Police use this app (along with other systems) and from a frontline policing perspective, the What3Words app has proven to be a valuable asset in improving public safety and operational effectiveness. It allows officers and control rooms to pinpoint exact locations using a simple three-word code, which is especially useful when dealing with incidents in areas without clear addresses - such as open countryside. In emergency situations, time and clarity are critical. Victims or witnesses often struggle to describe their location under stress, particularly in unfamiliar or remote environments. What3Words enables officers to receive precise location data, reducing delays and confusion. This has been particularly beneficial in Suffolk, where rural geography can complicate response efforts. Other agencies would also find an exact location helpful, for example - reporting fly tipping to the council. Given it is a global map, it could also help if you were abroad and needed assistance to a particular location.

When dealing with my own community police reports, I will often ask for the What3Words location if the area is unclear, or I just simply want confirmation. This helps me focus on the exact location to assess and deal with the issue.



Family@Nayland

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Family services continue on the 3rd Sunday of every month, 10am at St James' Nayland.

We hope everyone has had a wonderful summer and a good start to the new academic year!

In August, we talked about how we can overcome our worries and challenges with God's help, 'by faith', just as Moses took the Israelites across the Red Sea. We made our own worry boxes where we can write down our worries each night, give them to God in our box, and pray about them. The Israelite on top of the box was powered by a magnet, an invisible force, just like our faith in God.

We look forward to our Harvest Festival in September where we'll be talking about Jesus, the Bread of Life and baking some bread ourselves.

Next services are Sunday 19th October and Sunday 16th November (Safeguarding Sunday). We hope you can join us.



NAYLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Back to School with Smiles, Learning, and Lots of Excitement!

As the school gates opened this September, the air was filled with laughter, energy, and a healthy dose of curiosity. After a restful summer, we were thrilled to welcome our children back to school - and what a joyful return it has been!

One of the greatest joys of this term has been seeing our brand-new Reception children begin their school journey. With wide eyes and big hearts, they've settled in beautifully. We are so proud of how brave and eager they've been - making friends, learning routines, and embracing each new day with enthusiasm. Their energy is infectious, and they've already brought so much joy to our school family.

Our older pupils have also launched into the new term with excitement and purpose. Across the school, we've kickstarted the year with some incredible activities. For example, we recently celebrated **Coding Week** - a fantastic time where children of all ages explored the world of programming, digital creativity, and problem-solving.

Meanwhile, Year 3 and Year 4 have truly travelled back in time with their "Romans in Britain" topic. With Roman shields in hand and knowledge at the ready, they've explored the fascinating



history of Britain's invaders and settlers. Their enthusiasm has brought history to life in such a meaningful way - full of questions, discoveries, and even some dramatic re-enactments!

This term, we also continue our commitment to the **"No Outsiders"** ethos - a powerful part of our school life where children learn about diversity, inclusion, and respect for all. Through books, discussions, and shared experiences, we are helping our children grow not just in knowledge, but in kindness and understanding too.

So, as the term unfolds, we give thanks for new beginnings, new friendships, and new learning. Whether it's a Reception child taking their first steps into school life, or a Year 6 pupil leading by example, we are proud of each and every one of our children. Their resilience, joy, and love of learning make our school the vibrant, welcoming place it is.



Woodland Corner

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NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES

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

We have welcomed lots of new families to Woodland Corner this new academic year and we are looking forward to getting to know them. We have never been so busy in September before, with most breakfast and afterschool sessions already full with a healthy waiting list. We still have sessions available at Pre-School and we welcome you to come and look around our setting.

Over the summer we had an extension to our building. We have created space for four more children and have a lovely staff room. We have purchased a nappy changing table and this is a very beneficial piece of furniture for our staff and children.

This half term we are getting to know our new children and settling them in with their key people. Our topics this term are 'All about me and my family'; 'Healthy Eating' and the impact this has on our teeth! We will also be discussing 'Autumn' noticing the changes to the weather as the season develops.

The pre-school children will continue to enjoy specialist Multisports sessions with Lauren from Maxim Sports and Forest School sessions, as well as music and dance.

The extended schools children enjoy spending time in our garden and the schools astro and running track. They have a large toy box filled with bats, balls, hoops that they can access themselves.



Fundraising events this term:

Inflatable Fun was on the 13th September. This was a lovely community event at the Nayland Village Hall. Lots of our new parents and children came to support us and met our existing families, we are very grateful for everyone's help with the packing away during the thunderstorm.

We will be selling hot chocolate, tea, coffee, cans, toffee apples and treats at the Nayland Bonfire night on 5th November - come say hello!

Lastly we will have our ever popular Christmas tombola at the Nayland Community Christmas Fayre at the Village Hall on 6th December, we are grateful for all donations for this event.

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

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



NAYLAND BABY & TODDLER GROUP

Leader: Gillian Manser 01206 751094
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We would love you and your little ones to come along and join us on Friday mornings from 9.30am until 11.15am.

We reopened after the summer holidays on 19th September. Further dates of our autumn term will be September 26th; October 3rd, 10th and 17th; November 14th, 21st and 28th and December 5th.

Our entrance fee is £4 per family including snacks and drinks for adults and children.

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

Facebook:
Nayland Baby & Toddler Group





VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Registered Charity No 304 928

www.naylandandwiston.net > Village Hall

Chairman: Iain Wright 263646
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Secretary: Christine Thompson 262825



SEPTEMBER MEETING

MATTERS ARISING & HOUSEKEEPING BOOK

- The calendar for September was read out.
- The boiler service will be booked
- The quarterly inspection of the hall will be carried out.
- The annual Health & Safety Inspection of the hall will be carried out.
- The July and August fire checks were been carried out; no problems found.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- The Treasurer now has access to all the VH accounts.
- The BT monthly bill has been reduced to £40 from £80.
- The new invoicing system on the website is working well.
- Babergh Council have been asked for their £100,000 contribution towards the roof.
- The VH email will be changed from Yahoo to Gmail.
- The hall will need continual maintenance once the work on the hall is completed and will continue to need fundraising efforts.

BOOKINGS

- There have been some cancellations by regular hirers due to the disturbance caused by the building works.

ROOF REPLACEMENT

- The work on the roof has begun. The contractors, TJ Evers, are completing the work on schedule and on budget.
- The National Lottery have paid the first instalment towards the cost of the roof.

- There has been some damage to a lighting circuit. Evers will repair this.
- There has been a dispute about the design of the scaffolding. There will be no further payments to the scaffolding firm until this is resolved.

AOB

- It was agreed that the Conservation Society can put their filing cabinet in the meeting room.
- There will be an Open Morning when the building works can be inspected by the public.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: will be **Monday 6th October** at 7.30pm in the hall committee room.

The autumn village hall garden tidy will take place on **Saturday 25th October** at 9am.



DONATIONS: ROOF REPLACEMENT

Please consider a donation to the Village Hall funds to ensure that there are monies available for future maintenance and further developments to enhance your Village Hall.

The Village Hall bank account is:

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

Please mark your donations for the roof replacement.

COLLECTION OF KEYS

Please collect keys from Amy Christie, the caretaker, at 5 Meadow Cottages, Wiston Road, Nayland CO6 4FR. Phone 07581 036164.

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.

Work on the Village Hall replacement roof is progressing well under the scaffold sheeting. TJ Evers Construction are on schedule with the replacement roof and expect to finish by the Christmas holiday. Thanks to Antony Day for this photo... taken in the early morning when rabbits were not shy (in the foreground).

The Village Hall Management Committee would very much appreciate new members

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: 2pm Table Tennis
- Tuesdays: 10.45 Dance Fitness Club
- Thursdays: 6pm Zumba Class
- Fridays: 9.30am Baby & Toddler Group (*term time*)

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

NAYLAND WEATHER SUMMARY: July & August 2025 *by David Lowe*

July was another warm month, with a mean temperature of 19.5°C (17.91) second warmest over the 18 year record period. The maximum temperature was 34.2°C – on the 1st – (30.31) third highest over the record period. Lowest was 10.4°C (highest over the record period). Lowest max was 19.9°C (18.09) second lowest. There was only 1 day with less than 20°C max (5.11) no. of days over 25°C was 14 (8.5) and over 30°C – 1 (0.78). On no night did the temp go below 10°C.

Bright sun hours were 345 (342.39) with solar energy at 11750 Ly (12855). Evapotranspiration was 118 mm (109.38).

Rainfall was again below average at 41.6 mm (55.17) with a lot of brown lawns around. There was 1 day over 10 mm (1.61 mm) and the highest rainfall rate was 86 mm/hr (97.28).

Mean wind speed was 4 mph (3.13) with highest gust of 27 mph (29.44). Prevailing direction was SW.

August was a further warm and dry month, with a mean temperature of 18.8°C (17.54) the fourth warmest over the 18

year record period. Monthly rainfall at 14 mm (57.77) was the second lowest.

Highest temperature was 30.6°C (28.63) and lowest 9.1°C (7.97). Lowest max was 19.5°C (17.54). This was the only day that failed to make 20°C (5.61). There were 11 days over 25°C (6.22) and 1 over 30°C (1.11). On 2 nights the temp fell below 10°C.

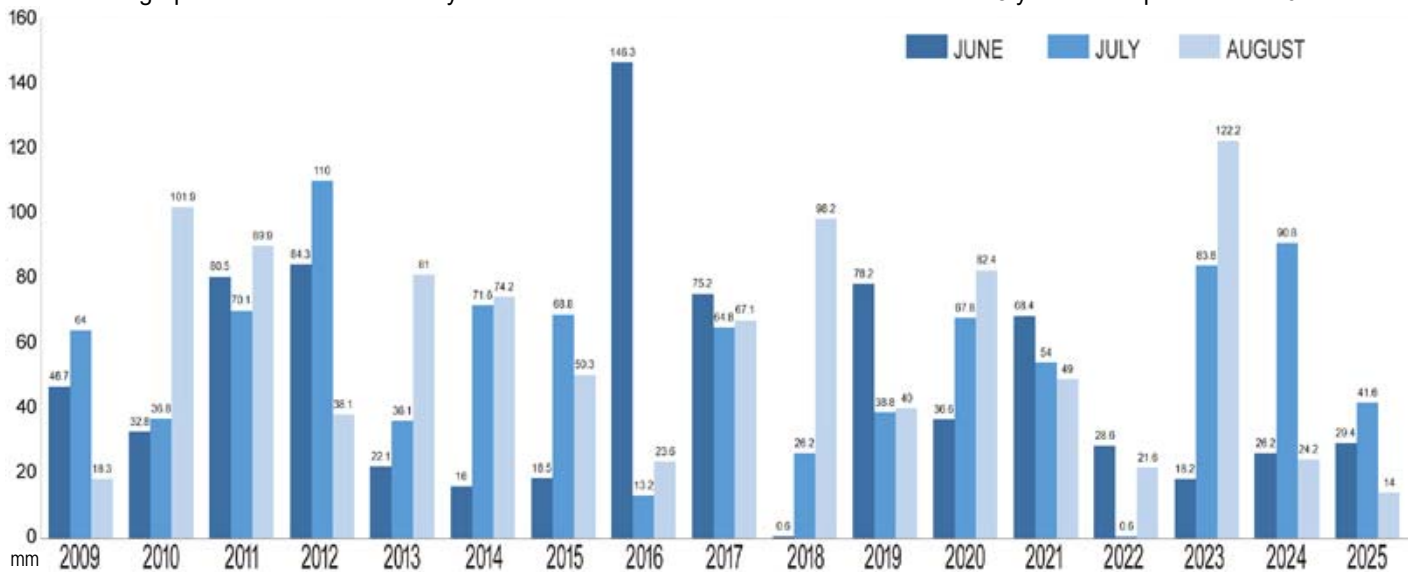
Bright sun hours were 322 (306.62) fourth highest over the record period. Solar energy was 12500 Ly (10706) equal highest with 2019. Evapotranspiration was 110 mm (91.39), second highest over the record period.

The highest rainfall amount in a day was only 3.8 mm (20.49) and highest rainfall rate, 50.6 mm/hr (108.65).

Average wind strength was 4.2 mph (3.13) with 2 days with gusts over 30 mph (0.83) and 1 over 35 mph (0.28). Highest daily average was 8.2 mph (6.58). The prevailing direction was SW.

NAYLAND MONTHLY RAINFALL JUNE, JULY & AUGUST 2009-2025

The graph below illustrates the dryness of this summer – the second driest over the 18 year record period after 2022



YEARLY RAINFALL 2008-2025 (mm) - NAYLAND

This is the full rainfall record for the 18 year record period, which may be of interest, with summer 2025 figures highlighted.

| | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC | TOT |
|------|------|------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2008 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 58.3 | 81.3 | 49.0 | 39.4 | 66.3 | 20.1 | --- |
| 2009 | 50.0 | 47.8 | 35.8 | 16.5 | 32.3 | 46.7 | 64.0 | 18.3 | 27.9 | 42.2 | 107.4 | 68.8 | 557.8 |
| 2010 | 32.5 | 77.2 | 32.3 | 14.2 | 13.5 | 32.8 | 36.8 | 101.9 | 60.2 | 62.2 | 53.3 | 19.6 | 536.4 |
| 2011 | 73.9 | 42.9 | 11.2 | 2.8 | 8.4 | 80.5 | 70.1 | 89.9 | 20.1 | 28.7 | 24.6 | 70.1 | 523.2 |
| 2012 | 64.0 | 14.0 | 38.4 | 95.0 | 67.1 | 84.3 | 110.0 | 38.1 | 48.8 | 90.2 | 78.7 | 101.3 | 829.8 |
| 2013 | 40.1 | 37.1 | 29.0 | 33.3 | 42.4 | 22.1 | 36.1 | 81.0 | 45.2 | 90.2 | 54.9 | 74.2 | 585.5 |
| 2014 | 53.1 | 75.9 | 22.9 | 14.0 | 84.1 | 16.0 | 71.6 | 74.2 | 33.3 | 91.2 | 92.5 | 48.8 | 677.4 |
| 2015 | 66.8 | 32.0 | 16.3 | 22.6 | 48.0 | 18.5 | 68.8 | 50.3 | 80.3 | 27.4 | 84.8 | 49.5 | 565.4 |
| 2016 | 52.8 | 25.1 | 59.7 | 60.7 | 65.3 | 146.3 | 13.2 | 23.6 | 28.4 | 21.6 | 73.7 | 14.2 | 584.7 |
| 2017 | 38.6 | 35.1 | 24.4 | 5.3 | 79.2 | 75.2 | 64.8 | 67.1 | 30.7 | 14.7 | 22.6 | 77.7 | 535.4 |
| 2018 | 47.0 | 48.6 | 71.6 | 55.0 | 36.8 | 0.6 | 26.2 | 98.2 | 29.2 | 33.8 | 75.0 | 53.4 | 575.5 |
| 2019 | 23.0 | 22.5 | 59.0 | 14.8 | 48.6 | 78.2 | 38.8 | 40.0 | 52.6 | 89.8 | 65.0 | 94.6 | 626.9 |
| 2020 | 42.2 | 64.4 | 27.6 | 24.0 | 1.4 | 36.6 | 67.8 | 82.4 | 39.8 | 127.7 | 38.7 | 109.2 | 661.9 |
| 2021 | 90.4 | 43.0 | 35.2 | 1.6 | 104.2 | 68.4 | 54.0 | 49.0 | 23.4 | 95.0 | 32.0 | 73.6 | 669.8 |
| 2022 | 12.2 | 66.0 | 24.0 | 16.8 | 47.6 | 28.6 | 0.6 | 21.6 | 40.4 | 48.0 | 117.2 | 40.2 | 463.1 |
| 2023 | 53.8 | 2.4 | 118.6 | 59.2 | 46.8 | 18.2 | 83.8 | 122.2 | 33.4 | 172.3 | 79.0 | 88.0 | 877.7 |
| 2024 | 57.6 | 99.2 | 46.8 | 66.0 | 106.6 | 26.2 | 90.8 | 24.2 | 77.0 | 70.0 | 54.4 | 57.5 | 776.2 |
| 2025 | 74.1 | 40.4 | 5.0 | 33.4 | 22.0 | 29.5 | 41.6 | 14.0 | 0.0 | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| MIN | 12.2 | 2.4 | 5.0 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 14.0 | 0.0 | 14.7 | 22.6 | 14.2 | 463.1 |
| MAX | 90.4 | 99.2 | 118.6 | 95.0 | 106.6 | 146.3 | 110.0 | 122.2 | 80.3 | 172.3 | 117.2 | 109.2 | 877.7 |
| AVG | 51.3 | 45.5 | 38.7 | 31.5 | 50.2 | 45.1 | 55.4 | 59.8 | 40.0 | 67.3 | 65.9 | 62.4 | 627.9 |

FOOTPATHS IN NAYLAND AND WISTON

What could be more pleasant on a sunny day than setting off for a walk along one of the many footpaths in Nayland and Wiston?

For centuries residents have walked most of these paths but in recent years several new paths have been designated as "permissive paths". Some of these are in fact paths which we have unintentionally walked without the permission of the landowner but now, since being designated, the landowner has the right to close them at any time. They are not recorded on the Definitive Maps of legal Public Rights of Way held by County Councils which were created after the Second World War, but those for Nayland can be seen on the local map published by the Conservation Society (Second Edition dated November 2012).

Back in 1894 the Nayland with Wissington Parish Council was created and one of the first things they did was to set up a Footpath Sub Committee to investigate the condition of footpaths in the parish. In 1900 this committee, chaired by George Brooks Mills, village schoolmaster and Parish Councillor, compiled a report listing 23 footpaths. Some of these footpaths are listed below, as described in the report, and with an update in brackets.

- 1. From Court Meadow Gate through Court Knoll to Horkesley Lock, thence to Park Road.** This path is well defined [Note: Not many years later the lock fell down and the well-used bridge over the river went with it. The county authorities refused to replace the bridge, saying that the cost could not be justified. Therefore the footpath was no more until 1995 when a major project to clear the Horkesley Lock site was carried out by the National River Authority and two new bridges were built, thus restoring the footpath.]
- 2. From Newlands Lane across Bell Meadow to Allotment Field, through the Allotment Field to the Fens.** Years ago this path was continued over the Fens to a bridge over the river and thence to Boxted. This bridge has disappeared. This path is also well defined. [Note: This bridge was never rebuilt and the path disappeared]
- 3. From Vicarage Gate through Fair Field past the cemetery, then through Town Ground to Leavenheath Road near Mark's Grave.** Well defined. [Note: At this time there was no playing field or school in Bear Street and the track only went up to the cemetery and Vicarage, the footpath was as it still is. It would be interesting to know who Mark was]
- 4. Near Town Ground Barn a branch from No 3 leads to Nayland Hall or Spring Farm.** Thence to Honey Tye, Leavenheath. Fair condition.
- 5. From opposite Nags Barn through Pound Field, Hawes' Meadow, Harris Mead and Long Field to Wiston Mill Lane,** thence to Cart Bridge over the river. Here it divides one part going to Lt Horkesley and the other to Wormingford Mill and Bures. Bad condition.
- 6. From Crocus(?) Lane on top of Gravel Hill** through the Gore Field past the Pest House to Path No 3. Fair condition.

The rest of the paths described are all in Wiston and pass near or round all the farms which still exist, also around the church and rectory, the mill, the Fox Inn and the "Sanatorium" [later to become the Jane Walker Hospital.] The footpaths pass through many named fields such as Barton's Meadow, Top Field, the Dalleys, Headlands Field, 8 Acres Field, Sandpits Bottom, White Post Field, Little and Great Griffs, Homely Field, Cherry Field, Triangle Field, etc. I wonder how many of these fields still bear their old names. If there is someone who would like



Bridge over the river at Horkesley Lock which linked the footpath between Suffolk and Essex until it fell down in the early 20th century. It was eventually replaced in 1995.

to see the list drawn up in 1900 with a view to finding out if all these paths still exist please let me know.

The 1900 report concludes: "As will be seen by the paths above enumerated Nayland is not so well provided with footpaths as is her twin sister Wiston but these, few though they may be, are very convenient and were not chosen haphazardly by our forefathers but had a certain definite purpose, viz that of providing a direct and short road from each farmhouse and cottage to the Parish Church, and in time this was the means of forming an elaborate network of paths over the country between the main roads and which would be otherwise inaccessible to pedestrians.

"Taking Nayland with Wissington as a whole your committee venture to say that few parishes in England are blessed with such pleasant, interesting and beautiful walks as those supplied by these footpaths. Lovers of Nature can revel in the marvels of Creation, the mysteries of Life, while to the weary labourer short-cuts are provided which save him many a long toilsome journey to his daily work. The footpaths also circle round the healthiest parts of the neighbourhood and so bring without fee or payment the purest of fresh air, which is so necessary to the convalescent.

"The general opinion is that Suffolk is most uninteresting as regards scenery – in fact is quite devoid of such a thing – but this opinion vanishes when our footpaths are traversed for they open out to view scenery which is not only pretty, but very beautiful and unique in its pastoral character.

"Your Committee are of the opinion that the obliteration of any of the paths mentioned would be a loss to all in the Parish."

Signed on behalf of the Footpaths Sub Committee:

GW Brooks Mills, 25th October 1900

Wendy Sparrow, Parish Recorder

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Nayland Flower Show 2025



Our 43rd Annual Flower Show on the 2nd August was a great success. The Village Hall was full of colour on the day of the Show with so many exhibits, thanks to all those who entered. The flowers and floral arrangements sections looked particularly stunning.

It was good to see so many visitors in the afternoon who came along to view the entries and to enjoy the refreshments. Thank you for supporting us.

It was great to see our loyal regular exhibitors once again, as well as a number of new exhibitors which enabled us to put on a good show. We received over 250 entries this year, with 49 people entering the Show, which was a brilliant result. There were only a few sections out of the possible 85 Classes that did not receive any entries.

The number of children entering the Show was down this year, (sadly there were no entries from children under 5 years) but hopefully next year some

Section 1 (Open) Vegetables – (1st, 2nd, 3rd)

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Five potatoes, white | Trevor Smy, Douglas Pike, Sally Bramall |
| Five potatoes, colour | Trevor Smy, - , - |
| Three carrots | Chris Jacobs, Trevor Smy, - |
| Three beetroot | Trevor Smy, Sally Bartrum, Douglas Pike |
| Six runner beans | Heather Sears, Mo Elnaggar, Sally Bartrum |
| Six French beans | Sally Bartrum, Jane Barbrook, Douglas Pike |
| Three onions, seed | Trevor Smy, - , - |
| Three onions, sets | Sally Bartrum, Jane Barbrook, Trevor Smy |
| Nine shallots | No entries |
| Two lettuce | No entries |
| Three chilli peppers | Mo Elnaggar, Trevor Smy, - |
| One pepper | Rix family, Trevor Smy, - |
| One marrow | Rix family, Mo Elnaggar, Trevor Smy |
| Two cabbages | Nicola Watts, - , - |
| Three courgettes | Trevor Smy, Sally Bartrum, Andrew Gowen |
| Five tomatoes | Trevor Smy, Rix family, - |
| Truss tomatoes | Douglas Pike, Trevor Smy, Mig Drew-Knight |
| One cucumbers | Rix Family, Sally Bartrum, Trevor Smy |
| Any other vegetable | Douglas Pike, Trevor Smy, Jane Barbrook |
| Longest runner bean | Trevor Smy, Mo Elnaggar, Katie Smy |
| Vegetable collection | Douglas Pike, Sally Bartrum, Trevor Smy |

Section 2 (Open) Fruit

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| Dish of soft fruit | Nicola Watts, Jackie Grant, Harold Miller |
| Dish of stone fruit | Richard Cave, Mig Drew-Knight, Harold Miller |
| Dish of four apples | Jackie Grant, Nicola Watts, Harold Miller |
| Any other fruit | Harold Miller, Douglas Pike, Patricia Cave |
| Fruit collection | - , - , Lucy Carpenter |

Flowers

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|--------------------------|--|
| Rose, 1 specimen | Chris Jacobs, Luke Speakman, Rix Family |
| Roses, 3 stems | Rix family, Anne Spencer, Mig Drew-Knight |
| Single rose, for scent | Rix family, Jane Easdown, Anne Spencer |
| Perennials | Sally Bramall, Pauline Margrett, Liz Bennett |
| Annuals, 3 varieties | Chris Jacobs, - , - |
| Annuals, 1 variety | No entries |
| Pot plant, non-flowering | Alan Bennett, Kerry Valks, Liz Bennett |
| Pot plant, flowering | Alan Bennett, Liz Bennett, Kerry Valks |
| Orchid, flowering | Simon Ward, Mary Battye, - |
| Fuchsia, bush | No entries |
| Asters | Hazel Gardiner, - , - |
| Cactus or succulent | Jackie Grant, Simon Ward, Mig Drew-Knight |

Dahlias

| | |
|----------------------|---|
| Specimen, 1 bloom | Rix Family, Heather Sears, Lucy Carpenter, |
| Decorative, 3 blooms | Rix family, Heather Sears, Pauline Margrett |

Collection veg, fruit & flowers Rix family, - , -

CUP WINNERS

BERT HALLS MEMORIAL CUP - Trevor Smy
Highest points in Section 1 Vegetables (resident)

KENT BLAXILL CUP - Douglas Pike
Highest points in Section 1 Vegetables (non-resident)

GEORGE GARDINER CUP - Douglas Pike
Best collection of vegetables

RIX ONION CUP - Sally Bartrum
Best onion exhibit

OLIVE WILLINGALE CUP - Rix Family
Highest points in Section 3 Flowers

WILLIAMS & GRIFFIN ROSE BOWL
- HEATHER Sears & Chris Jacobs
Highest points in Section 5 Flower arranging

NORAH OWEN CUP - Rix Family
Best Dahlia in show

JOHN OAKES CUP - Jackie Grant
Highest points in Section 6 Cookery

PETER SINGLETON TROPHY - Rix Family
Best rose in show

HUSSEY CUP - Rix Family
Best Scented Rose in show

ELLEN DAWE CUP - Simon Ward
Best photograph in Section 10 Photography

JOHN DYBLE MEMORIAL CUP - no Fuchsia entries

KERRIDGE CUP - Douglas Pike
Biggest home-grown disaster in the show

RHS BANKSIAN MEDAL - Rix Family
Highest number of points in horticultural classes

CREEMS CUP - Trevor Smy
Highest number of points in the show

SPENCER FAMILY CUP - Ward family
Highest number of points in the family section

SMY CUP - no entries by children under 5

GENT CUP - Alannah Sargent
Highest number of points for children 5-9 years

SAWYER CUP - Zain Sargent
Highest number of points for children 10-14 years

more may be encouraged to enter.

Our thanks to the judges, who did not have an easy job as the standard in some classes was very high. The floral arrangements, flowers and dahlia sections had a high number of entries, as did the 'home grown disaster section' (exhibits that went horribly wrong!). The array of treats in the cookery section also looked very tempting, and not easy to judge.

There were no entries in the Tallest Parish Hollyhock competition this year.

Our thanks to Terry Bannister who very kindly came along to present our trophies. Many thanks to the committee for all their hard work, to Sheila and team for their efforts in the kitchen providing refreshments,

Floral Arrangements

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| Small arrangement | Chris Jacobs, Lucy Carpenter, Terry Bannister |
| Candlestick | Heather Sears, Terry Bannister, Chris Jacobs |
| Unusual container | Liz Bennett, Mig Drew-Knight, Terry Bannister |
| Herbs | Chris Jacobs, Mig Drew-Knight, Heather Sears |
| Foliage | Heather Sears, - , - |

Cookery

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| Marmalade | Mig Drew-Knight, - , Jackie Grant |
| Jam | Jackie Grant/Harold Miller (<i>joint 1st</i>), Jane Easdown |
| Fruit jelly | Jackie Grant, Mig Drew-Knight |
| Chutney | Jackie Grant, - , - |
| Other Preserve | <i>No entries</i> |
| Boiled fruit cake | Margaret Baker, Jackie Grant, Sally Bramall |
| Lemon Drizzle cake | Nicola Watts, Wendy Sparrow, Simon Ward |
| Chocolate sponge | Mig Drew Knight, Chris Jacobs, - |
| Biscuits | Nicola Watts, Liz Bennett, - |
| Muffins | Isabel Smy/Sally Bramall (<i>joint 1st</i>), - |
| Home-made sweets | Daisy Ward, - , Ezra Ward |
| Cheese scones | Jackie Grant, Wendy Sparrow, - |
| White loaf | Jackie Grant, - , Nicola Watts |
| Naughty but nice | Sally Bramall, Simon Ward, - |

Crafts

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| Hand-knitting | Heather Sears, Irene Turner, J Grant/M Baker (<i>joint 3rd</i>) |
| Stitchcraft | Angela Colclough, Heather Sears, - |
| Greeting card | Sally Bramall, - , - |
| Drawing / painting | Chris Jacobs, Sally Bartrum, Pauline Margrett |
| Any other craft | Heather Sears, Angela Colclough, Irene Turner |

Photography

Simon Ward, Douglas Pike, Alan Bennett

Fruit Liqueur

Margaret Smy, Jane Barbrook, Katie Smy

Non Alcoholic

Jackie Grant, - , -

Home Grown Disasters

Douglas Pike, Mig Drew-Knight, Chris Jacobs

Tallest Hollyhock

no entries

Family & Children's Section

Animal/person made from Veg/Fruit: Ward family, Sargent family, -

Children under 5

'I grew this myself': *No entries*

Drawing or Painting: *No entries*

Decorated Fairy Cakes: *No entries*

Children under 5-9

'I grew this myself': Alannah Sargent, Antares Borg, Ezra Ward

Drawing or Painting: Antares Borg, Alannah Sargent, Ezra Ward

Jar named wild flowers: Alannah Sargent, Antares Borg, -

Fondant Creation: Antares Borg, Alannah Sargent, -

Decorated pebbles: Ezra Ward, Antares Borg, Alannah Sargent

Decorated Fairy Cakes: Alannah Sargent, Lara Mills, Ezra Ward

9 – 14 years

'I grew this myself': Zain Sargent, - -

Drawing or Painting: Zain Sargent -

Jar named wild flowers: - , Zain Sargent -

Decorated Cup Cakes: Daisy Ward, Zain Sargent, -

Decorated pebbles: William Torry, Daisy Ward, Zain Sargent

Photo: 'A Day Out' William Torry, Daisy Ward, Zain Sargent

and to Colin and Anne for manning the entry and produce tables. We must not forget our gallant band of helpers either, who set up on Friday and dismantled after the Show, as we couldn't have done it without you.

Finally, a big thank you to all our entrants and we hope to see you all next year.





FIVE PARISHES CHURCH SERVICES: NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES

Nayland, Wiston, Leavenheath, Stoke by Nayland & Polstead

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

CHURCH SERVICES: July/August

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| <u>Sunday 28th</u> <u>September</u> | 8.00am | <i>CANCELLED</i> | Wiston |
| | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Stoke |
| | 11.15am | Holy Communion | Leavenheath |
| | 5.30pm | Harvest Festival | Wiston |
| | 6.30pm | Evensong | Nayland |
| <u>Sunday 5th</u> <u>October</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion BCP | Nayland |
| | 9.30am | Holy Communion | Wiston |
| | 9.30am | First Sunday Harvest | Leavenheath VH |
| | 11.15am | Holy Communion | Polstead |
| | 6.30pm | Evening Prayer | Stoke |
| <u>Sunday 12th</u> <u>October</u> | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Leavenheath |
| | 9.30am | Holy Communion | Nayland |
| | 11.00am | Holy Communion | Stoke |
| | 4.00pm | Harvest Festival | Polstead |
| | 6.30pm | Evening Prayer | Wiston |
| <u>Sunday 19th</u> <u>October</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion BCP | Stoke |
| | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Polstead |
| | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Wiston |
| | 10.00am | Family Service | Nayland |
| | 6.30pm | Evening Praise | Leavenheath VH |
| <u>Sunday 26th</u> <u>October</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion BCP | Wiston |
| | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Stoke |
| | 11.15am | Holy Communion | Leavenheath |
| | 4.30pm | Evensong | Nayland |

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

Weekly Pew Sheets & Reading

If anyone would like to receive the weekly church pew sheets via email please let Sam know via admin@lspnw.org.uk

FROM THE REGISTERS



DEATHS

Barbara Padget
 Leslie Nevard
 Tony Osborne

BURIAL OF ASHES

Clive Lock

WEDDINGS

Sophie Gurden & Henry French

CHURCH CONTACT ALL DETAILS ON PAGE 47

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

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Benefice Administrator: Sam Bridgeman on 07770 884682 or admin@lspnw.org.uk

Retired Clergy: Revd Val Armstrong on 01206 262814 mrsvalarmstrong@hotmail.com

Churchwardens: Kathy Hunt (262014) is the point of contact for Nayland church queries or Nicola Thorogood 262453 for St Mary's Wiston.

CHURCH SERVICES: September/October

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|---------------------------------------|---------|-----------------------|----------------|
| <u>Sunday 2nd</u> <u>November</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion BCP | Nayland |
| | 9.30am | Holy Communion | Wiston |
| | 9.30am | First Sunday | Leavenheath VH |
| | 11.15am | Holy Communion | Polstead |
| | 4.00pm | All Souls | Stoke |
| <u>Sunday 9th</u> <u>November</u> | 9.30am | Remembrance | Leavenheath |
| | 10.00am | Remembrance | Wiston |
| | 10.45am | Wreath Laying | Nayland |
| | 10.55am | Remembrance | Nayland |
| | 10.45am | Remembrance | Stoke |
| | then | Wreath Laying | Polstead |
| <u>Sunday 16th</u> <u>November</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion BCP | Stoke |
| | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Polstead |
| | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Wiston |
| | 10.00am | Family Service | Nayland |
| | 6.30pm | Evening Praise | Leavenheath VH |
| <u>Sunday 23rd</u> <u>November</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion BCP | Wiston |
| | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Stoke |
| | 11.15am | Holy Communion | Leavenheath |
| | 4.30pm | Evensong | Nayland |
| <u>Sunday 30th</u> <u>November</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion BCP | Polstead |
| | 10.00am | Advent Benefice Serv. | Nayland |
| <u>Sunday 7th</u> <u>December</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion BCP | Nayland |
| | 9.30am | Holy Communion | Wiston |
| | 9.30am | First Sunday | Leavenheath VH |
| | 11.15am | Holy Communion | Polstead |
| | 6.30pm | Evening Prayer | Stoke |

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: | 6.00pm | 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 10-4pm, Wiston 9-4pm
 Stoke 9-4pm, Leavenheath 10-4pm, Polstead 9-4pm.

CHARITY CRAFT FAIR Sunday 5th October

10am-4pm

Whatfield Village Hall, Rectory Road IP7 6QU
 Hot & Cold Refreshments - Bumper Raffle
 Lots of Stalls selling a wide variety of crafts & gifts
 Proceeds to Success After Stroke

Dear Friends,

After a long, dry summer, the recent wet and windy weather has moved us firmly into autumn: the season of mellow mists and fruitfulness and Harvest time.

Harvest festivals and celebrations have a long history. The Bible speaks of two such festivals which celebrate and give thanks for all that we have received and remind us to share that bounty with those who are less fortunate. In recent years, we have used the gifts brought to our services to help local hospices and our community food banks. The need for these services continues to grow and we thank everyone for their contributions. Whilst there are many forms of official assistance, there are still gaps in the system, especially for people who face sudden or unexpected changes in their circumstances. The local food bank and the hardship fund can give immediate assistance, enabling families or individuals to get through those difficult times and back on their feet. We do encourage anyone who is struggling, to use the food banks or to contact us if there is a specific need that can be met by the hardship fund. There are no hoops to jump through, no forms to fill in, only a willingness to help where we can.

For as Christians, hospitality, generosity and service are the pattern that Jesus set for us. When he washed the disciples' feet, he told us to follow his example of practical service. For centuries, the church has provided medical care, education and help for the poorest. Parish churches are rooted in their communities and seek to serve them in many different ways, not just spiritual care but as whole human beings. For years, across the benefice, the church has provided coffee mornings and social spaces in our villages. Following the shutdowns of Covid, we have been looking to find ways of supporting our young people. In the new year, we are hoping to launch two groups, one in Leavenheath and one in Nayland, to give young people a place to socialise and

relax, as we do for older people. A safe space for 11-14yrs, to hang out with friends, and optional activities eg a gaming space, football table, table tennis or Lazer tag games, with drinks and snacks. Initially, monthly and possibly weekly, if required. If you have any thoughts or ideas for these projects, please email me Mrsvarmstrong@hotmail.com or benefice.families@lspnw.org.uk

More details will follow in the Community Times as we look to start these groups in the New Year.

Although the media seem to delight in spreading doom and gloom, I remain an optimist. My faith in a loving God who calls all of us to love our neighbours is not an abstract idea, I see it in action in our communities every day and not only through those who would describe themselves as Christian. John Wesley gave this advice,

"Do all the good you can, By all the means you can, In all the ways you can, In all the places you can, At all the times you can, To all the the people you can." A thought to ponder and a challenge to rise to.

God bless you and yours,
Revd Val



Youth Club!

We would like to set up a social club for young people (school years 6-8) in our villages.

Are you an adult with an evening free per month who could help run the group?

Are you the parent of a young person who has lots of ideas about what they and their friends would enjoy?

If so, please get in touch with Helen:
benefice.families@lspnw.org.uk

St James' Parochial Church Council

require a volunteer

MINUTE SECRETARY

for their meetings which are held every 6-8 weeks.

It is not an onerous role; it involves producing and distributing the Agenda and Minutes for each meeting.

Contact Kathy Hunt on 262014 or kath12hunt@gmail.com

St James' Church

requires a volunteer

CHURCH WARDEN

to share the role with Kathy Hunt in maintaining the smooth running of church activities. This is not an onerous role.

Contact Kathy Hunt on 262014 or kath12hunt@gmail.com

COMMUNITY PANTRY & HARDSHIP FUND

Recent repair work on the doors at the back of St James' Church has meant relocating the Community Pantry to a position behind the font in the Church itself, and it has been decided to keep it there for the foreseeable future. The main reason is that it is now fully accessible because of the ramp and rail in the main Church porch. In wet or icy weather the steps to the previous site posed a hazard to both users and volunteers servicing the pantry: more importantly there was limited access.

There will be no alteration to the time when the pantry is open which corresponds to the Church's normal opening hours of between 9am to around 4pm. We hope that this new arrangement will make the pantry easier for everyone to visit.

As ever, we are always grateful for contributions of food, cleaning products and toiletries, but please no clothing or other unwanted items.

Any financial donations can be made to:

Community Pantry & Hardship Fund - Sort Code 30 99 50 - Account No 24195560

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

**FRIENDS OF WISTON CHURCH**

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Treasurer: Julian Baker 01206 262653

Email: wistonfriends@gmail.com

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The Friends of Wiston Church is a charity 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 you to join in with our future Social and Cultural events! We're always looking for new supporters - so if you might be able to give something, we'd be so pleased to hear from you!

Many kind people donate regularly - and if you might be willing to do the same, please do get in touch (the amount is entirely up to you). As you can imagine, the need to maintain the church fabric never ceases so, if you might consider leaving a bequest, your memory would live on in the Church.

GARDEN WASTE & BONFIRES



With winter approaching and gardens in need of a final tidy the question of what to do with our garden waste comes to the forefront. There are various options for disposal; composting at home, using Babergh's Brown Bin Scheme, taking the rubbish to a Waste and Recycling Centre: :

- **Hadleigh:** Crockett Way (off Lady Lane Industrial Est) IP7 6RH
- **Sudbury:** Sandy Lane(off Ballingdon Hill) CO10 7HG
Please note there is a very efficient booking system. <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/planning-waste-and-environment/waste-and-recycling/book-a-recycling-centre-time-slot/>
- **Colchester:** Maldon Road, Shrub End CO3 4RN

Another option is to have a bonfire...

The bonfire takes its name from the medieval 'bon-fire of animal bones'. While modern day bonfire ingredients are on the whole less gruesome, burning waste materials can cause pollution and local nuisance.

Occasionally a bonfire is the best practicable way to dispose of woody or diseased waste that cannot be composted. If you chose this option please adhere to the guidelines:

- Speak to your neighbours, to agree the best time for the fire.
- Do not light it when your neighbours' washing is out or their windows are open.
- Avoid lighting a fire in unsuitable weather conditions – smoke hangs in the air on damp, still days. If it is windy, smoke blows into neighbours' gardens and windows and across roads. In the evenings atmospheric pressure keeps the smoke down.
- Avoid burning at weekends and on bank holidays when your neighbours have a right to enjoy their gardens
- Never use petrol or oil to light a fire
- Ensure that only dry material is burnt. This will produce the minimum of smoke.
- Do not burn plastic, rubber, household rubbish, or other materials which cause dark smoke and noxious fumes
- Never leave a fire unattended or leave it to smoulder - put it out

There are no specific controls, such as permitted times, over the lighting of domestic bonfires to burn waste. However, smoke and emissions from a bonfire (or any other process of burning) can be considered a Statutory Nuisance. Environmental Health is responsible for investigating complaints.

If You are Troubled by Bonfire Smoke...

- Try talking to those responsible for the bonfire. They may not be aware that they are causing a problem and a reasonable approach may encourage a reasonable response.
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- **Refuse Collections:** <https://www.babergh.gov.uk/waste-services/collection-days/>
- **Fly-tipping:** <https://www.babergh.gov.uk/report-fly-tipping>
- **Highways Reporting** (including PRoW footpaths):
 - **Suffolk:** <https://highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk/>
 - **Essex:** <https://www.essexhighways.org/tell-us>
- **To check on roadworks:** <https://one.network/>
- **To check water issues:** <https://inyourarea.digdat.co.uk/>
- **Track Rain/Lightening:** <https://www.radar-live.com/2018/04/rain-map.html>

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- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/StokeByNaylandBoxfordLeavenheathNaylandBures/>
- https://nextdoor.co.uk/news_feed/

LOCAL INFORMATION

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VILLAGE DIARY

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|-----------------|-------------|--|
| Weekly on | Mondays: | Table Tennis 2pm-4pm Village Hall <i>page 25</i> |
| | Tuesday: | Handbell Ringing: 1.30pm Church Hall (<i>term time</i>) <i>page 30</i> |
| | Wednesdays: | Coffee, Cake & Conversation 10am St James <i>page 7 & 32</i> |
| | | Art Group 2pm-4pm Church Hall (<i>term time</i>) <i>page 25</i> |
| | Fridays: | Baby & Toddler Group 9.30pm Village Hall (<i>term time</i>) <i>page 34</i> |
| October | | |
| 3rd | | Lizzie's Fund: Pre-Loved Sale from 6.30pm 82 Bear Street <i>page 12</i> |
| 5th | | Country Music Sunday: monthly dances 'Caroline B' 1.15pm for 2pm Village Hall <i>page 15</i> |
| 6th | | Village Hall Management Committee: meeting 7.30pm Village Hall committee room <i>page 35 & 47</i> |
| 6th | | Dedham Vale Society: AGM Phil Roberts 'Cardinal Thomas Wolsey' 7.30pm for 8pm Village Hall All welcome |
| 8th | | Parish Council: meeting 7.30pm Village Hall committee room & by Zoom <i>page 3 & 47</i> |
| 9th | | Women's Institute: 'Stress Control' Robin Howe 2.30pm Village Hall <i>page 26</i> |
| 11th | | Community Litterpick: meet 1.30pm at Village Hall <i>page 18 & 31</i> |
| 12th | | Community First Responders: Basic Life Support training 9.30am to 12pm Village Hall <i>page 8 & 31</i> |
| 14th | | Conservation Society: 'Kentwell Hall' Dave Steward 7.15 for 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 11 & 31</i> |
| 15th | | Village Lunch: 'A Handsome Little Town' (Bury St Edmunds) 11.45 for 12 Church Hall <i>page 12 & 29</i> |
| 15th | | Village Cinema: 'Penguin Lessons' open 6pm, screening 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 18 & 26</i> |
| 17th | | Community First Responders: Basic Life Support training 9.30am to 12pm Village Hall <i>page 8 & 31</i> |
| 18th | | St James' Churchyard: Autumn Working Party from 9am <i>page 19 & 32</i> |
| 20th | | Coloured Pencil Art Group 6.30pm Village Hall <i>page 25</i> |
| 22nd | | Community Council: meeting <u>Village Hall</u> upstairs meeting room 8pm (<i>Exec 7.30pm</i>) <i>page 9 & 47</i> |
| 25th | | Village Hall: Autumn Garden Working Party from 9am <i>page 19 & 35</i> |
| 26th | | CLOCKS FALL BACK |
| 31st | | Lizzie's Fund: George's 12 Hour Drumathon 10am-10pm Village Hall <i>page 11</i> |
| 31st | | St James' Church: Light Stop (<i>quiet time by candlelight with refreshments</i>) from 4.30pm <i>page 32</i> |
| November | | |
| 1st | | Royal British Legion: Poppy Appeal Coffee Morning 10am-noon Church Hall <i>page 15 & 30</i> |
| 3rd | | Village Hall Management Committee: meeting 7.30pm Village Hall committee room <i>page 35 & 47</i> |
| 5th | | Community Council: Bonfire & Fireworks 6.30 for 7pm Village Hall Playing Field <i>page 8 & 10</i> |
| 9th | | Remembrance Sunday: War Memorial Wiston (10am), Nayland (10.45am) followed by service in St James' <i>page 30 & 32</i> |
| 9th | | Country Music Sunday: monthly dances 'Caroline B' 1.15pm for 2pm Village Hall <i>page 15</i> |
| 11th | | Royal British Legion: Armistice Day 11am War Memorial High Street <i>page 30</i> |
| 11th | | Conservation: 'Upstairs Downstairs' Jackie Marshall-Ward 7.15pm Village Hall <i>page 12 & 31</i> |
| 12th | | Parish Council: meeting 7.30pm Village Hall committee room & by Zoom <i>page 3 & 47</i> |
| 13th | | Women's Institute: Martin Wright on his 'Visit to Ethiopia' 2.30pm Village Hall <i>page 26</i> |
| 17th | | Coloured Pencil Art Group 6.30pm Village Hall <i>page 25</i> |
| 20th | | Friends of St James: 'Just Dreaming' 7pm for 7.30 The Old Chapel, Stoke Road <i>page 12</i> |
| 21st | | Village Cinema: 'The Ballad of Wallis Island' open 6pm, screening 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 18 & 26</i> |
| 24th | | Royal British Legion: AGM Will Hitchcock 'Captain Matthew Flinders' 7.30 for 8pm Church Hall <i>page 10 & 30</i> |
| December | | |
| 1st | | Community Council: Advent Windows open each day <i>page 1, 8 & 13</i> |
| 3rd, 5th, 6th | | Village Payers': Ashley Burgoyne's 'The Village Hall' 3rd @ 6.30pm 5th/6th @ 8pm Village Hall <i>page 19 & 27</i> |
| 6th | | Community Council: Christmas Fayre 10am-12.30pm Village Hall <i>page 8 & 15</i> |
| 7th | | Nayland Choir winter concert 'What Sweeter Music' 3.30 for 4pm Village Hall <i>page 19 & 31</i> |
| 8th | | Dedham Vale Society: Charlie Haylock 'An Eccentric Look at Suffolk' 7.30pm for 8pm Village Hall |
| 11th | | Women's Institute: 'Nayland Handbells' 2.30pm Village Hall <i>page 26</i> |
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