

# Brunby Newsletter

*April 2022*



**Community and Parish News  
from Brundish and Wilby**

# Brundish Pub Night



We are thrilled that our village hall pub nights have been so popular and enjoyable for everyone who has come along, so much so that they are now set to become a regular monthly event!

Our next opening will be **Friday, 8th April, from 7:00pm** and thereafter on **every second Friday of the month** - put it in your diary now!

For our April session we are planning a **Pie & Peas** night with a steak and ale or mushroom & asparagus (vegetarian) option. Numbers will be limited, so it's first come, first serve but you can reserve yours by letting us know your choice in advance via the mail address below.



Of course we will also be serving our usual selection of good quality wines, draft Victoria ale and a range of bottled beers, lagers, cider and soft drinks all at unbeatable prices!

To add to the evening we have now installed a smart new illuminated dart board as well as providing a range of traditional table games for you to enjoy.

Contact us on [brundishvillagehall@outlook.com](mailto:brundishvillagehall@outlook.com)

## What's Cooking?



*Find out how to make this eggcentric Easter special on page 9*



*'We really wanted a drive-thru burger and chips, but we couldn't afford the petrol'*

## From the Editor

Dear Reader,

This month's cover obviously needs no explanation; the appalling and entirely unjustified situation in Ukraine, a slaughter of the innocents, is something that most of us thought would never happen in Europe in this day and age. I'm sure many of us feel a need to do something for those desperate souls forced from their homes. For anyone thinking of offering a home for refugees there is some information on page 12 as well as a letter on the topic on page 4.

As we approach the Queen's Platinum Jubilee a number of joint village events are being planned including an afternoon tea, a picnic on the green and a produce competition. You'll find more information about these and others throughout the newsletter. A hint for keen gardeners - now is the time to plan and plant your show winning produce!

Swifts are truly extraordinary birds - studies have shown that they spend up 10 months a year without landing, indicating they sleep as they fly! Many come the UK to breed between May and August, the remainder of their time is spent migrating to and from central and southern Africa.



On summer evenings, with evocative screams, and daredevil flights, they

chase across our rooftops. Sadly though, data indicates losses of around 45% of their UK population in just under 20 years. The declines may partly be due to similar reductions in aerial plankton – the small insects and spiders Swifts rely on for food. However, many losses are due to inadvertent or even deliberate destruction of nest sites, as older buildings are demolished, or renovated, with often long-established sites in roofs and under eaves being blocked - a disaster for a pair returning from migration expecting to re-occupy their usual nest site. Being so strongly commensal (closely associated with human activities i.e. our buildings) ***there are significant opportunities for individuals and groups in communities in Suffolk to help reverse the decline.***

The [Suffolk Bird Group](#), in partnership with Suffolk Wildlife Trust has set up a project to try and reverse the decline of these wonderful birds. They will present us a Save Our Swifts evening on request which provides information about the swift and offers advice about how you can help - such as nest boxes and other suitable sites.

It would marvellous to hold such an evening in Brundish Village Hall in the very near future. ***If anyone is interested and would like to arrange it (easily done..!) I have all the necessary info; please contact me on 07710 154255 or via the mail address below.***

Best wishes.

Neil

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# Letters

## Homes for Ukraine

Under the **Homes for Ukraine** scheme, launched this week, a number of local householders may be considering expressing their interest.

At this early stage, it may be helpful for those of us as potential sponsors to be aware of other sponsors within our local community who have already, or may be considering registering.

**Tim Gillingham** is happy to act in a co-ordinating (but certainly not in an advisory!) - capacity for anyone wishing and able to provide accommodation under this scheme.

Although it may be daunting for individual Ukrainian families to contemplate coming to what might appear a remote area, it would be of considerable comfort to those families if they knew that other such families were likely to be accommodated nearby. Obviously our village halls and churches will be available and actively welcoming for any of them to meet together as a group.

Please ring **Tim** on **01728 628269** if you have already expressed your interest or are seriously contemplating doing so.

*Tim Gillingham*



## Brundish Village Hall

Our main hall provides an intimate atmosphere, perfect for social events such as parties or family gatherings, while our separate modern function room is well suited to a variety of uses including educational classes or meetings. We offer well furnished and equipped facilities including kitchen, excellent wi-fi, overhead projectors & screens and a sound system. Call for more information.

### Hire Charges

#### Brundish Residents and Clubs

2hrs Hire- £20    Half day/evening - £30    Full Day - £60

#### Non-Resident/Business-use

2hrs Hire- £30    Half day/evening - £40    Full Day - £80

Contact [brundishvillagehall@outlook.com](mailto:brundishvillagehall@outlook.com) or 07710 154255 for more information

## Poet's Corner

Loveliest of trees, the cherry now  
Is hung with bloom along the bough,  
And stands about the woodland ride  
Wearing white for Eastertide.  
Now, of my threescore years and ten,  
Twenty will not come again,  
And take from seventy springs a score,  
It only leaves me fifty more.  
And since to look at things in bloom  
Fifty springs are little room,  
About the woodlands I will go  
To see the cherry hung with snow.  
*A. E. Housman*

### A Brief Analysis

The poem details the speaker's age, the fact that he loves looking at nature, and the unavoidable truth of human

existence. Time is limited, therefore, the speaker declares, he needs to spend all the time he can while he's still alive looking at these trees he loves. The tree is a symbol for the wider natural world and all beautiful, fulfilling things.

The moral of the story is that one should not waste their life on things that do not please them.

**Alfred Edward Housman**, born in March 1859, is best known for his simple style, memorable and moving images that made his work popular during his lifetime. His poetry collection *A Shropshire Lad* is his most widely read. He is also remembered as Professor of Latin at Cambridge University



## Brundish & Wilby Jubilee Events!



A small team of volunteers from Brundish & Wilby is working on a schedule of coordinated events to cover the jubilee weekend for both our villages. Our proposed schedule, shown below, is still being finalised, if there are any changes they will be published in the newsletter in due course.

<b>Thu</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> June, 3pm	Afternoon Tea, Wilby Coronation Hall
<b>Fri</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> June, 7pm	Wilby Pub Night + Inter-Village Pub Games/Competitions
<b>Sat</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> June, 7pm	Buckingham Palace Concert live stream + bar, Brundish Village Hall (TBC)
<b>Sun</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> June	Thanksgiving Service, Wilby Church
<b>Sun</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> June, 12 – 4pm	Picnic on the Green, Brundish Village Green
<b>Sun</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> June	Produce Competition, Brundish Village Green
<b>Sun</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> June	Songs of Praise, Brundish Church

**Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th June – Flower Festival Brundish Church**

We really want to make this occasion something special and memorable for both villages - so ***please, support us in any way you can***, most importantly of all by joining us at some or all of these events. If you would like to offer help in other ways, please contact us via the newsletter email

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# The Beekeeper's Diary



I am writing this towards the end of March, and over the last couple of weeks cherry and other fruiting trees have been coming into flower. There are signs of Spring in the hedgerows, in the borders with early flowering bulbs and in willows and hazels with their catkins. On mild still days, when it has been warm enough in the middle of the day, the bees have been out foraging, taking back nectar and pollen. The hives are buzzing with the growing population of new bees.

Who is in the hive? Firstly, the queen; she is the largest of the bees. She can live for several years, and unlike the other bees, does not die when she stings. She will mainly use her sting to kill any other queen bees produced in the hive. The temperament of the colony is determined by the queen. Then there are the male bees, the drones, which are smaller than the queen but larger than the female worker bees. The purpose of the drone is to mate with a newly hatched queen bee; drones have no sting. Finally, we have the worker bees who are all female and make up the greatest proportion of the bees in the hive. When young they will perform household duties, such as feeding the queen and the developing larvae, keeping the hive clean and storing the nectar and pollen brought back by the mature workers.

Watching the activity of my five hives over winter I became aware that one was much less active than the others. A couple of weeks ago I decided that it was warm enough to check inside, only to find that the queen had failed and there were no eggs present. This early in the year, there is no real chance of providing a new queen for a hive, and so it was inevitable that this colony would die off over the next few weeks. I decided to unite the remaining bees with one of the other hives. This is done by putting one colony on top of another separated by a couple of layers of newspaper. The theory being, that by the time the bees have munched their way through the paper, they will not be regarded as invaders, as their pheromones will have changed over that period, and they will be in tune with the bees in their new home.

**Bee Fact:** *The reason bees are so noisy is because they beat their wings 11,400 times in one minute!*

Carol Darling, Wilby



## Brundish Film Night

Our final film of the current season will be **Stillwater** to be shown on Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

With more than a nod to the Meredith Kercher affair in Perugia several years ago, **Stillwater** follows Bill Baker (Matt Damon), an American oil-rig roughneck from Oklahoma who travels to Marseilles to visit his estranged daughter (Abigail Breslin), who is in prison for a murder she claims she did not commit. Confronted with language barriers, cultural differences and a complicated legal system, Baker seeks to exonerate his daughter.

Certificate 15.

Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30 pm start. Entry payable at the door (£5 for adults and £14.50 for Under 18s). Usual bar facilities. To reserve your place please contact Priscilla Williamson on 01379 388034 or by email to [priscillaawilliamson@gmail.com](mailto:priscillaawilliamson@gmail.com)

*We are very grateful for the hard core of supporters who have attended our films during this period. Numbers have been well down as Covid and a defective bulb in the projector have created their own difficulties, whilst the selection of films available has not been as good as we would have wished. Next autumn we hope for a much better choice with many more well regarded films hopefully available. For example, you have told us that The Duke with Jim Broadbent and Helen Mirren is excellent and should be in the next programme. We also plan to alter the dates for our film shows so that there is a gap between them and the pub nights now being held in the hall*

## From our Cookery Editor

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### Happy Easter!

It was lovely to hear that someone had made the orange curd from the January edition and thought it better than marmalade! I hope you will be inspired by this month's offerings.

Eggs are very much part of the Easter celebrations and for those you don't like or can't eat chocolate, I have two very different recipes which are fun, tasty and healthy!

### Eggs in Purgatory

There are various explanations regarding the name for this dish as well as the country of origin. One of the most interesting being that the eggs represent 'souls' and the tomato sauce 'purgatory' where the souls are suspended between heaven and hell. Regardless of the theory, this dish is really simple and absolutely delicious. It can be served for breakfast, brunch, lunch or a light supper. Give it a go!

Serves 2 but easily doubled or halved

### Ingredients:

- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 red onion, chopped
- ½ red pepper, sliced
- 1 clove garlic, crushed
- 2 tsp smoked paprika
- 1 tsp ground cumin
- Sprig fresh basil, torn
- 2 -4 eggs
- 1 red chilli, sliced (remove the seeds if you don't like it too hot!)
- 400g chopped tomatoes (tinned are fine)
- Crusty or sour dough bread to serve



### Method

Heat the oil in a pan and cook the onion, pepper and chilli for 10 – 15 mins until soft. Stir in the garlic, paprika and cumin, cook for 1 minute then add the tomatoes and simmer for 8-10 mins until thick. Season.

Make 2 -4 dips in the sauce, then crack an egg into each one. Put a lid on the pan, then cook over a low heat for 6-8 mins, until the eggs are cooked to your liking. Sprinkle over the basil and serve with the bread.

## And one for our junior chefs....

Have some fun using your imagination to create a pretty and colourful 'garden' for your Easter egg bunnies to sit in. You can adjust the quantities to serve as many people as required, there are really no fixed amounts, just adapt to what you have or like to eat. Use small cutters to make the flower shapes with the vegetables.

### Easter Bunny Salad

Serves 4

#### Ingredients:

- 4-6 eggs
- Lettuce/rocket/mixed salad leaves (your choice) torn if large leaves.
- Cucumber, sliced into rounds and the rounds cut in half to make half-moons.
- Carrot, thinly sliced
- Red, orange or yellow pepper or a mix of all
- Beetroot
- Cherry tomatoes, halved
- Grapes, halved
- Olives (optional)
- 1 tsp mayonnaise
- Dressing:
  - 1 tbsp lemon juice
  - 3 tbsp olive oil
  - 1 tsp honey – or to taste

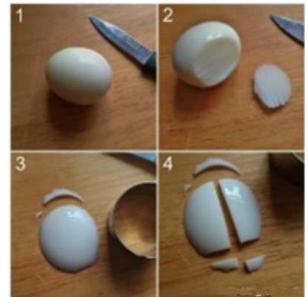


Put the eggs in a saucepan, cover with water and bring to the boil. Cook for 7 minutes. Remove and leave to cool in some cold water.

On a large serving dish or plate, scatter over the lettuce.

Cut 'flower' shapes from the carrot, peppers and beetroot and scatter these over the lettuce. Place the cucumber to make leaves and add the tomatoes and grapes.

Peel the eggs and with a sharp knife, slice a piece off the length, this will form the ears, the flat side will be the



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bottom of the bunny. If the top of the ears needs rounding, use a small round pastry cutter to cut a little off. Trim a straight edge along the bottom of the ears the cut in two lengthways. Make two small angled slits in the 'bunny' about a 1/3 way back and gently push in the 'ears'.



Mix a teeny spot of beetroot juice into the mayonnaise and using a cocktail stick, carefully add two eyes and a nose to your bunny. Place them in the salad garden.

## Rachel Coombes



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### **Woodland activities:**

- Little Woodies – Parent and Toddler Forest School on Friday mornings during term time
- Wild Wood Holiday Club – for children aged 4-11 years during holidays
- Woodland Birthday Parties for children
- Wild parties for Hens, Baby Showers, Birthdays and Team Days
- Forest Bathing and relaxation
- Christmas wreath making

### **Forest School:**

- Level 3 Forest School Leader training
- Forest School Taster Days
- Woodland activity days
- PD and staff well-being days



Charlotte is a qualified British Nordic Walking Instructor and uses specially designed walking poles to teach individuals and groups the Nordic Walking technique which improves posture and gait, burns more calories (than normal walking) and relieves pressure on joints. It's a fun way of getting exercise outdoors that anyone can do.

Need extra space? At Charlotte's Wood we have two, luxury lodges (awarded 5 Stars and 5 Stars Gold by 'Visit England') available to rent for breaks and longer stays all year round. One sleeps four and the other two people. We also have a log cabin situated on the edge of the woodland for those who want to get closer to nature; and options for camping too!



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# Homes for Ukraine



We know that many of you will be interested in supporting the new government initiative to bring Ukrainian refugees to the UK to stay in people's own homes or other properties that you are able to offer.

The Government have announced the Homes for Ukraine scheme. If you are interested in offering accommodation, you can find out more about the scheme and how to register at [homesforukraine.campaign.gov.uk](https://homesforukraine.campaign.gov.uk). We will get in touch with those people who have expressed an interest direct to Suffolk County Council and ask them to register via the Government website.

Suffolk partners will also continue to discuss how we will provide help and support for the programme too. As this evolves, we will add updates to this page.

**There is no need for items and goods to be donated for refugees in Suffolk at this stage.** However, this situation might change. Therefore, we are asking people who think they might be able to help to contact us in the first instance so that we have your details and we will get back to you if we are able to make use of your offer.

Email [refugeesupport@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:refugeesupport@suffolk.gov.uk) if you think you can help.

To help meet the needs of the Ukraine refugees, you may wish to support national and international charities such as The Red Cross Ukraine Crisis Appeal | British Red Cross.

Suffolk Refugee Support are our local refugee charity, you can find out about their response to the Ukraine situation on their website: [Suffolk Refugee Support](https://suffolkrefugeesupport.org.uk). Some of their advice is given below:

“We encourage people to research the Homes for Ukraine scheme thoroughly and think through carefully what it will mean for you and your family before registering. There are some questions and answers on how the scheme will work [here](#), some good advice [here](#), and interesting first hand experience of hosting a refugee [here](#).”

These are likely to be highly traumatised and vulnerable people, often separated from loved ones who are in direct danger back home and who might need specialist support. Also, bear in mind that refugees sometimes prefer to be near other people from their community or who speak their language – often this will be in larger towns and cities so rural accommodation without good transport links might not be suitable for everyone.

*Also see the letter on page 4*



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# Fit for a Queen!

## Platinum Jubilee Competition

Calling on all Wilby and Brundish residents -  
*We need you!*



Preserve your baking, making, growing and flower arranging for this bloomin' marvelous competition!

Please enter into the spirit of this event (homemade and homegrown!) and, for those of you with green fingers, start planning out your planting!

To be staged and judged on **Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> June on Brundish Village Green**

More details to follow nearer the date or contact **Alison Taylor - 01379 388112**

### Classes

#### Preserves - homemade

- P1 Strawberry Jam
- P2 Raspberry Jam
- P3 Marmalade
- P4 Lemon Curd
- P5 Chutney

#### Baking - homemade

- B1 Victoria sponge
- B2 Fruit Cake
- B3 Chocolate Cake
- B4 Men only - Cake baked by a man
- B5 4 Fruit Scones

#### Vegetables - homegrown

- V1 4 carrots
- V2 1 cucumber
- V3 4 beetroot

- V4 4 onions
- V5 4 radishes

#### Flowers - homegrown

- F1 A single rose
- F2 A country posy in a jam jar
- F3 A button hole
- F4 A floral hair wreath
- F5 4 sweet peas

#### Children - 16 years and under, age to be stated on exhibit

- C1 A sculptured vegetable
- C2 A miniature garden (on a plate or something similar)
- C3 A handmade book mark
- C4 A handmade crown
- C5 4 decorated cupcakes

*There will be no entry fees for this competition.*

*Rosettes will be awarded for best entries*



## A History Book of Brundish

The Platinum Jubilee would be a great time to record the activities of Brundish and 'life and times' of residents of the village (past and present!). I would like to put it together as a book that could be available for everyone as a memento. A certain amount of information can be gathered from the Suffolk Records Office as an introduction. However, I need help from everyone in the village! I ask for people to send me photos of events throughout the year (including the ones that have already happened). It would also be great to record who is living here at this time, so perhaps even photos of you by your house or garden. Please label photos indicating the event (including date) and names of persons (and pets!) in them. I'd like to record your stories of living in Brundish to bring this historical document alive, I am aware that we have residents who have lived in the village many years and it would be interesting to include any stories in the book of events past (however historical). Stories and memories could also include myth and legend that may be of interest. If there is something that you feel should be included let me know!

This will be a big project, but I have had kind offers of help... as a village we can make an interesting record. So, please get in touch! My email is [baconcatherine@hotmail.com](mailto:baconcatherine@hotmail.com) If you don't have an email, just give me a ring (01379 388808 or 07810 301899) and I can come and collect some written thoughts and I could scan any photos you are willing to allow us to use

*Catherine Bacon*

# Brundish Celebrates Seventy Glorious Years



**A Songs of Praise Service of Thanksgiving to  
Celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of**

**Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II**

**6 p.m. Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> June**

**at St Lawrence's Church.**

**Refreshments served after the service.**

**Everyone very welcome.**

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## From the Rector

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Dear Friends, I can't believe this is my last letter to you all!

This month we celebrate the most important feast of the church's year – Easter - that great outpouring of God's love for all of us and for ever. As John Wayne would say 'those are mighty big claims you are making pilgrim'. Yes they are but God is a mighty great God.

Easter is the culmination of the life of Jesus and the promise that we are forgiven and loved by God. When Jesus died, he was a man without sin, there was nothing, apart from jumped up charges (often the way evil works), to stand against him. Because he was without sin he was able to take our sins and offer himself as a fitting sacrifice for ever. We who are sinful, and that is all of us, are forgiven and God is ready to welcome us home with open arms. All we need to do is accept it. You don't even have to go to church but if you really believe God loves you so much then it would not hurt to go and see him once or twice a year.

The churches of this benefice face a bit of a trying time ahead. It is important that you keep together, support one another and care for one another. Easter teaches us the importance of taking on responsibility and not hiding away in your own little fiefdoms. The church is a community, it is built on love and communion with God.

When Napoleon was at the height of his power he was asked what was the happiest day of his life? Expecting to hear the emperor cite one of his many victories in battle they were surprised when he said, 'Ah, the happiest day of my life was when I received my first communion. I was near to God then.

Remember you are a people of God and the best way to reflect this is to live in communion with one another.

You will always be in our prayers

*David*

## Brundish Church News

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### **Easter at St Lawrence's, Brundish**

Good Friday's 12 noon service plan is uncertain at the moment. Usually, we have a choral liturgy but due to Michael Spencer's illness the Chantry Singers have not been rehearsing. However, a service will go ahead at the time advertised. Please join us if you can.

There will be a 10.30 a.m. **Easter Day Family Communion Service** in the church. Everyone will be very welcome.

# Church Services for April

April 2022	3rd Lent 5 Isaiah 43:16-21 Phil 3: 4b-14 John 12:1-8	10th Palm/Passion Isaiah 50:4-9a Phil 2:5-11 Luke 19:28-40 If Passion-Luke 22:14-23:end	Good Friday	17th Easter Isa 65:17-end Acts 10:34-43 Luke 24:1-12	24th Easter 2 Acts 5:27-32 Rev 1:4-8 John 20:19-end
<b>St Nicholas Bedfield</b>	10.30am Holy Communion DB	10.30am Family Service CS	12 noon CS?	9am HC CS	Sat 23rd HC 6pm
<b>St Lawrence Brundish</b>	9am BCP Holy Communion DB	10am Village Worship SA	12 noon Choral liturgy DM	10.30am Holy Communion DB	
<b>St Mary Cratfield</b>		6pm Evensong DB		9am Holy Comm RA	
<b>All Saints Laxfield</b>	10.30am Celtic Morning Service LE	10.30am Holy Communion RO	10.30am DB Easter garden Hot x buns	10.30am Fam Service with HC	<b>Benefice Service refreshments</b> <b>Rev David's last service</b>
<b>St Peter Monk Soham</b>	11am Family Service Passion RA	11am Morning Prayer RA	9am Sung Litany RA	11am Holy Communion RA	
<b>St Ethelbert Tannington</b>	11am HC DM				
<b>St Mary Wilby</b>	10.30am Village Worship SP	10.30am Morning Prayer DB	11am RA	10.30am Holy Communion CS	
<b>St Mary Worlingworth</b>		11am Let's Celebrate LE	10.30am Foot of the cross LE	11am Holy Communion DM	6pm Eve Prayer LE
<b>Online Zoom Services</b>	10am RO Holy Communion			3pm SP/CS Family Service	
	Also Celtic Prayer - 7pm Weds, 9am Fridays To join us, email <a href="mailto:rev.chrissiesmart@gmail.com">rev.chrissiesmart@gmail.com</a> and you will be sent details				
	<b>Seder Feast Bedfield Community Hub</b>		<b>12th April</b>		
	<b>Maundy Thursday, Cratfield, Agape 7pm DB</b>				
	<b>Maundy Thursday, Bedfield, Agape at 6pm RO and CS</b>				

## Platinum Jubilee Songs of Praise

### 6 p.m., Sunday, 5th June at St Lawrence's Church, Brundish.

Who doesn't enjoy a good sing? Everyone is always in good voice at our Christmas Carol Service but what if you could have a chance to sing your favourite hymn if you were asked? Well, now's your chance! As part of Brundish and Wilby's Jubilee Celebrations, John Graham and David Mulrenan will be arranging a special Songs of

Praise service at the above date and time. We are asking residents of the two villages to contact us letting us know about what your favourite hymn is and why. It might have a special significance which you could share if you wish. Please mark this date in your diary and contact either **John Graham** on **01379 384444** or **David Mulrenan** on **01728 628063** with your selection. Refreshments (cheese and wine) will be served after the service.

David Mulrenan.

## Wilby Church News

### Good Friday and Easter

There will be a service of reflection and meditation on **Good Friday April 15th at 11am** led by Rev'd Rebecca Artiss.

Easter Sunday April 17th the service will be a Family Communion at 10.30am taken by Rev'd Chrissie Smart. The church will be decorated with flowers and everyone would be most welcome to join us on this special day.

If anyone would like to pay for a lily for the altar for Easter please let Sheila Pipe know on **01728 723443**.

**DROP IN. *Breaking news!*** - we are hoping to start these up again in May - date to be confirmed in the next newsletter.

Watch this space!

## Nick Williams

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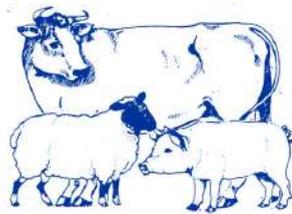
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# News from Wilby School

## Spring update

This year marks a special event in the school's history as we prepare to celebrate 150 years since Wilby Primary was opened as a church school. To mark this special event we performed a special celebration musical which tracked the school history back to its beginning in 1852. Original entries from the school log book, and a variety of songs relating to the different periods in our history, helped the audience to understand the changes that have occurred both in school and national life since the school was opened.



Dressed in the Victorian clothes that children might have worn when the school first opened, the pupils performed for their parents/carers, friends and relatives on the 16<sup>th</sup> of February and then again on the stage at the Snape Maltings Concert Hall, on March 9<sup>th</sup> as a part of the Celebration of Schools' Music 2022. They were absolutely incredible and had a day that they will never forget.

In addition to this, Bishop Mike led a special celebration service for us in February at St Mary's Church. Members of the local community and parents joined us for this joyful celebration of 150 years of church school history.

The Spring term is a busy time for trips. This term Owl Class will be enjoying a trip to Dunwich to learn more about coastal erosion; Wren Class are off to Norwich Cathedral to learn about the Easter Story; Kingfisher Class will be going to Stow Saxon Village and Years 4, 5 and 6 have a residential trip to Thorpe Woodlands booked.

We also welcomed children's author Amanda Kidd in to school at the beginning of March. Amanda led writing workshops and talked about her work with children in all classes as part of our World Book Day celebrations. *See picture, rear cover*

*Roisin Wiseman (Head teacher) and the Wilby staff*

## Update from Wilby Parish Council

The Council met for a routine meeting on 2 March 2022. Topics of interest discussed included :

### **Electric Charging Point – Village Hall**

The Council agreed in principle to contribute to the ongoing costs of the Electric Vehicle Charging Points, installed at the Village Hall since this is a community project. This would be funded from the Rix Petroleum Community Fund. Thus the annual donations derived from the Rix Wilby Oil Syndicate's use of fossil fuel would be used to support the use of electric vehicles. The financial aid to be provided will be confirmed at the next meeting of the Council when details of the costs concerned are to hand.

### **Planning**

Council supported applications for external and internal alterations at Russell House.

### **School Safety**

The Council had worked closely with Wilby Primary School to develop proposals for improving road safety, with a focus on the crossing point between the Village Hall car park and the School. These had now been submitted to our District and County Councillors with a view to a site visit attended by Highways.

### **Platinum Jubilee**

The Council and Village Hall were working jointly with Brundish on plans for the Platinum Jubilee to ensure that events did not clash and that there were opportunities for each village to take part in each other's celebrations.

### **Annual Meeting**

The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council would take place on 4 May 2022 in Wilby Primary School. This meeting will elect the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the coming year and effectively reconstitutes the Council for the coming year. *There are currently two vacancies on the Parish Council. If you are interested in joining then please contact Julie Collett, our Clerk, by email [wilbyclerk@outlook.com](mailto:wilbyclerk@outlook.com) or telephone 01986 899719 to find out more.*

### **Annual Parish Meeting**

The Annual Parish Meeting is open to all residents of the parish and provides an opportunity to hear reports from the Church, School, Village Hall, WI and Parish Council on their various activities and plans for the future. It also gives residents a platform to raise any issues of concern or to make suggestions for the benefit of the community for consideration by those present. All residents are therefore most welcome to attend and participate in the Annual Parish Meeting which will be held in the Village Hall at 7 pm on 18 May 2022. The meeting will conclude with cheese and wine.

# THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE



## AFTERNOON TEA



### Wilby Coronation Hall

**Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June from 3.00 – 5.00pm**

To 'kick-off' celebrations, Wilby Village Hall and Wilby WI will be jointly hosting an Afternoon Tea from **3.00pm on Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June** at Wilby Coronation Hall.

**'All Local Villagers are Welcome'** to celebrate this occasion and to view the Royal coverage on the Big Screen - the Bar will also be open from 3.00 pm.

***If you wish... Dress accordingly for this momentous event!***

We will be catering for a maximum of 70 people, if you would like to attend, please contact Ian & Alison Taylor on 01379-388112 **by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May** to secure your place.

We will be looking for local volunteers to help with some of the baking, donations of ingredients and help on the day, if you could assist in any way, **please contact:**

**Amanda Austin on 01379 388884.**

Thank you and looking forward to seeing you on 2<sup>nd</sup> June!



## Money Talks ££...

Wilby WI members found Alan Starkey's February talk on the history of banknotes very interesting and particularly enjoyed hearing the stories he had uncovered surrounding forgery and usage of currency on the Channel Islands and in Europe during WWII.

There were many bank notes on display including a copy of the first Bank of England white note dating 1709 together with a genuine Provincial note dating 1808.

Alan also spoke of and showed members the POW £5, £10, £20 & £50 bank notes that the Germans forged in the POW camps and spoke of how the Germans failed to circulate these forgeries.

After the informative presentation, members took time to take a closer look at the display of bank notes and asked further questions.

*Amanda Austin*



# News from Wilby Coronation Hall (WCH)

The Village Hall Committee would like to send a big thank you to all those people who have attended events at the hall over the past couple of months. It was a shame that our March Foodie Night had to be cancelled due to illness but there was still a good turnout in the bar and Gary's Moroccan feast will instead be served up on the first Friday of May. The Wild Flour Pizza Van has continued to encourage people into the hall to enjoy their delicious pizzas on the third Friday of each month and the Six Nations screenings have been hugely successful, thanks in part I'm sure to the bacon butties! The bar has been open for Pool Night on Wednesday evenings too and we have had some new volunteers step forward to offer their services so look out for new faces behind the bar soon! Plus, for those beer connoisseurs our local Session IPA is now back on tap for just £3 per pint!

## Up and Coming Events

We now have a board in the foyer of the hall that shows all the 2022 events and bookings for the hall. You can also check when we're open and what's on via the HallsHire website: <https://www.hallshire.com/halls/view/2038/wilby-village-coronation-hall#>, our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/wilbycvh/> or our website: <http://wilbyvillagehall.hostingerapp.com/> Bookings can be made either through one of the websites or by contacting Ian Taylor: 01379 388112 or [iantaylor1961@hotmail.com](mailto:iantaylor1961@hotmail.com)

## Foodie Nights – 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of each month

The first Friday of each month is Foodie Night when 'The Coconut Monkey' take over the kitchen at the hall and serve a delicious and reasonably priced one or two course themed menu. On Friday 1st April, Gary and his team will be serving up a Greek Meze and he has also started taking bookings for the postponed 'Marakesh Express' which will be on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May. Please see menu below with booking instructions.

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Remember that on Foodie Nights the bar is open to all from 6.30 – 11pm!

## Pizza Pub Nights – 3rd Friday of each month

On the third Friday of each month the Suffolk Wild Flour Pizza Bar serve pizzas from their beautifully restored vintage horse box in the hall car park. These can either be eaten in the hall whilst enjoying a drink or taken away. Orders can be made in advance by telephoning **07921 512052** for collection between 6.30 and 8pm or you can walk up to order and collect between 8 and 8.30pm. **The next Pizza Pub Nights are on 15<sup>th</sup> April and 20<sup>th</sup> May.**

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<b>PICANTE (HOT)</b> ITALIAN TOMATO SAUCE, MOZZARELLA, PEPPERONI, RED ONION, FRESH CHILLI	£8
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<b>Bit on the Side</b>	
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## Grand National event – Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April

Following the success of other sports screenings, the hall is going to show 'The Grand National' on the BIG screen on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April. On the day the bar will be open from 4pm with the race starting at 5.15pm and there will be a sweepstake, a raffle and hot dogs available. From 8pm on the evening Wilby's very own guitarist/singer will be providing live music and the bar will remain open until late! Admission is FREE and all proceeds will go towards maintaining the hall.

## Regular activities at the hall

Newcomers are welcome to join Maria Manly's Monday evening yoga class which is a gentle combination of Hatha, Vinyasa and Kundalini yoga and takes places in the

hall from 7- 8.15pm. Classes are suitable for all levels from complete beginners to more advanced. The cost is £10 per week or £40 for a block of 5 sessions. For more information and booking go to: <https://www.marianalyoga.com/>

### **Why not join the Village Hall Committee?**

Our next committee meeting is at **6pm on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April** in the hall and all are welcome to attend. We would still really like to have representation from the school and it would be great if a young person (aged 12-18 years) could join us to provide a voice for the youth in the village. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please contact our Chairperson, Alison: [alisonemmataylor@gmail.com](mailto:alisonemmataylor@gmail.com).

### **And finally...**

...Don't forget to take advantage of the recycling facilities at the hall (glass and clothing) as well as our new electric car charging point. All monies received go towards maintaining our car park.

*With best wishes and thanks for your continued support from all the committee.*



## **Wilby (& Brundish) Women's Institute**

We meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month at Wilby Village Hall from 7pm.

We are a friendly bunch and have a wide range of activities taking place outside of our monthly meetings. If you would like to come and see what it is all about, give our Secretary a call, you will be very Welcome!

Mrs Alison King, Secretary, Wilby WI

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It's understandable to be feeling apprehensive when there's been so much change, and knowing your rights will help you deal with anything unexpected.

If you've got tickets to an event which goes ahead, but you change your mind about going or realise you're no longer able to go, you have no legal right to a refund. However, if the event is cancelled, your right to a refund will depend on how you bought the ticket.

If you booked through an official seller and the organiser cancels, moves, reschedules, or makes the event behind closed doors, you should get a refund. This is true even if it's cancelled due to a government ban on large events. If this happens, contact the official seller to find out how you can get a refund.

If you bought your ticket from a ticket-reselling website, your refund will depend on the site's terms and conditions. If you're worried about the event being cancelled, it's a good idea to look at the terms and conditions before booking.

If you bought from a private seller, unfortunately it's unlikely you'll be able to recover your money, even if the event is cancelled or rescheduled. We recommend contacting the seller to see what they can do.

Ahead of any events you've booked, keep checking the information from the official seller or organiser to make sure you know straight away about any updates, like changes to the date or cancellations.

Another thing to be aware of is that scammers exploit these situations for their own benefit. If your event is cancelled and anyone - whether it's a person or a company - offers their services to try to recover money on your behalf, be suspicious. Make sure that you're aware of the signs of a potential scam and always be on the lookout.

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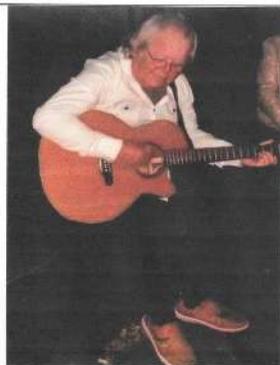
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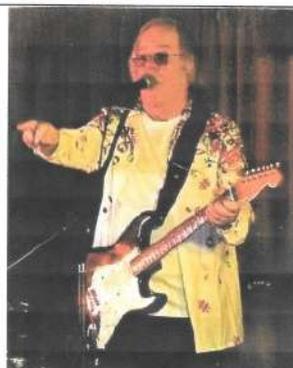
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- Friday 1st April, Greek Meze Foodie Night, Wilby Coronation Hall
- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April , 6pm - Wilby Hall Committee meeting - all welcome.
- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April, 7.00pm - Pub Night at Brundish Village Hall
- Saturday, 9th April The Grand National on Big Screen, Wilby Coronation Hall
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April, Brundish Film Night - Stillwater at Brundish Village Hall
- Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> April and 20<sup>th</sup> May - Pizza Pub Nights at Wilby Coronation Hall

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*Book Day at Wilby School*

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