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Christmas at St Andrew's Wissett.

Candlelit Carol Service on Sunday 18th December at 6.30

Come and sing your favourite carols and hear the traditional story of Christmas. Mince pies and mulled wine will follow the service.

Christmas Eve, December 24th: Crib service at 4 pm

Especially with children in mind.

The Journey to the Stable and the story of the Nativity.

Midnight Service with Communion at 11.30 pm.

Everybody is welcome



Christmas tree lights switch-on, carols, hot soup and mulled wine on the village green.

Friday, 16th December at 6.30 pm

Come and meet your friends, sing a few Christmas songs and carols, have a glass of wine and some soup. A lovely way to start the festivities!

There will be a collection for Shelter at Christmas



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

THE PARISH COUNCIL met on Thursday 10th November to discuss a planning application for three static caravans for tourist use at the back of The Plough.

Unanimously, the Council objected strongly to the proposal as being inappropriate in a conservation area, likely to be injurious to surrounding properties; lack of good access and site facilities; possibility of permanent residencies in the future; noise and light pollution; detrimental to wildlife etc.

It is now for Waveney District Council to decide. Full details are available on the website:

<http://planningpublicaccess.waveney.gov.uk>

THE PARISH COUNCIL met again on November 17th. Among other matters dealt with or reported here were:

Churchyard grass-cutting: Annual grant to be increased. Amount to be resolved at next meeting.

Community Speedwatch Scheme: Volunteers still needed. Please apply to the Parish Clerk, Bill Simpson, 01986 835721

The verge and hedge opposite The Plough will be cut by the owner this month.

Village Storage building on the Village Field: Planning permission is not needed. The Community Council will organise a meeting with the Parish Council, the Church and the Village Hall Committee to progress the scheme.

A timer is to be put on the light at the car park entrance at a cost below £100.

It was resolved to apply for an Assett of Community Value on the Plough.

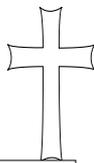
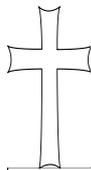
Storm drain at the bottom of Grays Lane: - possible blockage to be referred to the County Council.

The overgrown hedge by the Gas Works was also referred to the County Council.

Quotes for cutting and setting the hedges at the Village Field were to be obtained.

Land adjoining the Village field: It was reported that this was not for sale. The owners will be asked whether, if the Parish cuts it, it may continue to be used for village events.

The next meeting will be on Thursday 19th January in Wissett Village Hall. All parishioners are invited to attend any meeting of the Parish Council, but may not speak unless by prior arrangement with the Parish Clerk.



ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WISSETT

DECEMBER SERVICES

4th - No service in Wissett	
11th - Parish Eucharist	9.30
18th - CAROL SERVICE	6.30
24th - CRIB SERVICE	4.00
24th - MIDNIGHT COMMUNION	11.30
25th - Communion in Spexhall.	

Probable JANUARY SERVICES

1st - No service in Wissett	
8th - Plough Sunday service in Spexhall	?11.00
15th - Probably a Communion service	9.30
22nd - BREAKFAST CHURCH	9.30
29th - Probably a Team Service somewhere in the Blyth Valley. Look at your Team Times or church notice board..	

PATRONAL FESTIVAL



**ST ANDREW'S DAY.
WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 30th
at 7.30pm**

Come and hear the story of St Andrew, join in with the service and enjoy fish sandwiches and wine. It's a happy evening and All are very welcome

TUESDAY PRAYERS & COFFEE BREAK

First Tuesday of every month in the church at 10 am: prayer meetings with a focus on prayer board requests.

Coffee Break, from 10.30 to 11.30.

Just come for the coffee and a natter if you want.

DECEMBER 6th and JANUARY 3rd

BREAKFAST CHURCH

Come to church on the fourth Sunday in each month for Breakfast! There is a short informal service followed by a breakfast of croissants, butter, jam and coffee or tea and lots of chat.

NEWS FROM ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

The Remembrance poppies are still in church, and the last of the lovely flowers for Mary Reeder's funeral have not long disappeared. I am writing this on Sunday 20th November, on which this year the feasts of our own local King Edmund, killed in 869, and of Christ the King, instituted in 1925, coincide. It was the Sunday next before Advent in the Prayer Book calendar, and Stir up Sunday in popular use: we still enjoy Stir up Saturday in Wissett, when the WI markets a great volume of first-class pudding mixture. All of which means that next Sunday, 27th, is Advent, when we have the well-established **Breakfast Church**, a short service at 9.30 a.m., followed by coffee and croissants, which you might try if you haven't already. Then at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday 30th we celebrate **St. Andrew's Day** with a Eucharist, followed by Fisherman's Refreshments, i.e. fish sandwiches and white wine. Everyone is specially welcome, and it does not matter at all whether you want to 'take communion' or not. The ringers hope to achieve a quarter-peal before the service.

Services in December follow the usual pattern until the church is decorated for Christmas on Saturday morning, 17th. The **Carol Service** is at 6.30 p.m. on Sunday 18th, with mince-pies and mulled wine; it is candlelit so you might want to bring a torch. Also candlelit is the popular family **Crib Service** at 4.30 p.m. on Christmas Eve. The **Midnight Mass** is at Wissett this year and starts at 11.30 p.m.. Spexhall has the Christmas morning service, time to be confirmed.

The service rota for January 2017 is not yet out, but it is a quieter month, and again we expect the usual services. The next special event is the **Clipping** on Shrove Tuesday, which is on 28th February.

Nick Evans.
Churchwarden

WISSETT VILLAGE CALENDAR 2017

Wissett Village Calendar 2017 was launched at a coffee morning in the Village Hall on 29th October. The event was well supported and resulted in a good number of sales on the day. A few copies are still available from either Hetty 872211 or Symon 835936 and the cost is £7 (£6 each if buying 2 or more).

All profits will go to Wissett Community Council.

WISSETT PARISH COUNCILLORS

Hannah Pretty (Chairman)	835780
Matthew Wetmore, (Vice Chairman)	875135
Julian Harris	873966
Andrew Howlett	785411
Geoffrey Kiddy	873173
Paul Parry	Beck Cottage, The Street
Camilla Prior	873418
Parish Clerk, Bill Simpson	835721
County Councillor, Tony Goldson	07545 423814
District Councillor, David Ritchie	783889

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE WISSETT PLOUGH?

We now know.

We have received an email from and spoken to Steve Jordan of Jordan Fencing, Rumburgh:

We are currently in the process of purchasing the property, my plans for the property are to get planning for 3 holiday caravans at the rear, putting in a new road, landscaping etc and installing top of the range holiday units up at the top end of the site. We will also landscape the garden area and install new drains, gulleys etc to the pub car park and driveway. We will also reinstate the driveway putting new edging kerbs in and tarring and chipping the whole area.

We also plan to refurbish the exterior and interior of the pub to a high standard and find the right type of tenant and chef to make the pub viable. So the answer to your question is the pub will reopen but it will undergo some serious refurbishment to make the business viable as in its current state this is not possible. We obviously will require the support of the village whilst this is going on, but all in all it will be a vast improvement for the village.

Steve has said that work will start in the new year and the pub should re-open in the spring. Ed.



NEW YEAR WHIST!

In Wissett Village Hall
SATURDAY, JANUARY 21st
at 7.00 pm sharp!
Prizes. Raffle. Refreshments. Bar.

RUMBURGH AND DISTRICT (including Wissett) GARDEN CLUB



**WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 7th. At 7.30
in Rumburgh Village Hall**

Gardeners' question time and discussion on various garden problems, an easy quiz accompanied by wine and nibbles.

JANUARY: No meeting.

FEBRUARY: WEDNESDAY 1ST – 7.30PM R.V.H

MATTHEW LONG of Riverside Bulbs will talk to us of Aconites to Cyclamen, Daffodils to Tulips with a selection of bulbs for sale.

MARCH WEDNESDAY 8TH 7.30PM R.V.H

NEW BEGINNINGS FLORISTS. Susan Fitch will impart some of her considerable knowledge of flower arranging and the tricks of the trade. How do you get cut roses to last for weeks!?

APRIL WEDNESDAY 5TH – 6.00PM. A.G.M (Speaker) Rydal Mount. Enjoy the daffodils.

MAY WEDNESDAY 3RD 5.00PM – HOLTON ROAD GARDEN CENTRE

The Garden Centre opens specially for us after hours. This expanding garden centre will be giving us a 10% discount on all 'garden products'. Teas and food in the Olive Café before you go home.

WISSETT CARPET BOWLS

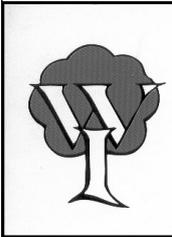


Derek is arranging the League matches which are going well. The new members have been included in the teams and they are enjoying the game.

On Sunday October 30th two teams attended the Charity Competition at Leiston Sports Centre. The chosen charity was the East Anglian Air Ambulance. The amount raised for this was £769.93. This came from entries, tombola and raffle. Since 1997 £26,000 has been raised.

We are now making arrangements for our Christmas meal which Andy is organising.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



On November 22nd Susan Brennan spoke to us about Water Aid and where our money goes in digging wells and providing water for villages in Africa. A very worthwhile charity.

The December meeting will be a meal at the Golf Club.

New members are always very welcome - we are a lively WI, take part in local and national events, go on outings and courses to learn new skills and generally laugh rather a lot and have fun while still upholding all the traditions of the WI. If you would like to know more about the WI get in touch with June Laws, 01986 873990

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

**Thursday December 1st
Wissett Village Hall
At 7.30**

Agenda:

1. Christmas tree on Village Field - arrangements. Switch on to be December 16th.
2. Proposed storage building - planning permission not required. A report will be made.
3. Fund raising and future winter programme.
4. Any other business.

All Wissett residents are part of the Community Council so please come along, have your say and make a difference!

POPPY COLLECTION



The village poppy collection this year amounted to £275.07. Congratulations to the organiser, Charlotte Pringle and her team of collectors.



GETTING MARRIED?

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Beavers, Cubs and Scouts

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Contact Brian Howard at 1 Brickhill Cottages Wissett
01986 875551
or brian@iminter.co.uk
Scout HQ is in Chediston Street, Halesworth.

HETTY'S NEEDLES

Knitting and sewing classes in Wissett: knitting: Monday a.m. Sewing: Tuesday evening.
For details visit www.hettysneedles.com

Telephone Hetty 872211

Painting and drawing workshops continue, but without Ian Reed for the time being. Mixed ability. Mixed media. BYO materials. Phone Hetty for details.



BOND'S FARM SHOP, WISSETT

Local produce

Derek and Cynthia Nunn offer you home grown fruit and vegetables in season at competitive prices.

VILLAGE TENT

rates for the hire of the village tent:

Wissett residents.....£35 Non-residents.....£70

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Kevin Hawes 874708

AVON TOILETRIES

Hannah Pretty, 3, Brickhill Cottages, Wissett 835780

Alice Mitchell, Spexhall 781659

BUILDING CONSULTANT:

Al Campbell. Design and Build. 874976

DOG GROOMING/BOARDING

Byebrue 785264

ELECTRICAL

Darren Alden. 8 Brickhill Cottages 07880791116

Chris Calver 07777675204 or 874046

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Any news, views or comments for inclusion in the Wissett Web to Jenny Ball, Editor, Birches, Wash Lane, Wissett. 01986 874599

BEFORE 20th JANUARY

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