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CORONAVIRUS

Do you need practical help and support?

Are you self-isolating and need some shopping, help with getting your latest prescription or just want somebody to talk to?



Your first call should be to Halesworth Volunteer Centre:
Ring 01986 875600 or email covid@halesworthvc.co.uk

If you would like help in contacting the Halesworth Volunteer Centre or if you are having difficulty getting the help you need, call one of these village contacts:

Camilla Prior 07720 873418
Hannah Pretty 07766 030034

Beryl Matthews 07876 230082
Melita Rouse-Skeet 07790 215033

They will do their best to support you in getting the help you need.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The Council held a virtual meeting on 19th November. Among items dealt with were:

Speed cameras will be set up in December.

Village Hall Repairs and improvements.

Re-plastering, new radiators and improvements to men's lavatories - all proceeding.

Brickhill Cottages lay-by.

Work, including dropped kerb, completed.

Footpath No 4, near Hill Farm - site cleared.

Valley Farm - road flooding.

Corrective work has been scheduled.

Peter Aldous, MP. Zoom meetings.

Frank Burton reported that the meeting had been useful. He would be attending future meetings.

Village Christmas Tree.

Resolved to thank Bob Stephenson for supplying the village tree, as he had done for many years.

5, The Street. Planning issues were discussed.

Chairmanship. Hannah Pretty wished to stand down as Chairman. The Council resolved to ask her to reconsider.

Commemorative Bench.

Arrangements are to be made for its installation on the Village Field. Melita Rouse-Skeet is paying for the bench. The base will be financed by Tony Goldson's local budget.

Ash Tree Farm Planning Application.

No objection was made to an application to demolish outbuildings and erect a two-bedroomed annex.

Old Village Sign. The Village Hall Committee is to be asked to somehow accommodate the sign in the Hall.

The Parish Precept. Consideration of this is to be deferred to the January meeting at the request of the East Suffolk District Council.

Churchyard Maintenance.

It was resolved to offer no further contribution to the Parochial Church Council for Churchyard maintenance. The PCC will be asked to consider other contractors and funding sources and to review the contract conditions.

The next Zoom meeting of the Parish Council will be on Thursday, 21st January at 7.30 pm.

Bill Simpson Parish Clerk

email address – wissettparishclerk@outlook.com

A NOTE FROM THE CHAIR...

Hello my fellow Wissettonians.

I wanted to share a few thoughts with you at this time. This year has been the most challenging for us as a community, probably in most of our lifetimes. Because it has been worldwide, we have likely been less on top of it than if it were localised. I wanted to say a big thank you to everybody. As a community, I feel we have really pulled together. Thanks to the efforts of some of the councillors we have identified potentially vulnerable people and will continue to make sure they are getting the support needed. I know many of you have been taking care of others. I am humbled by the many acts of kindness I have witnessed during the COVID crisis. It is vital we keep the momentum up and continue to look out for others and ourselves.

In doing this, we can make positive changes to our society so that we all benefit from a kinder community as we move forward into uncharted territory.

I hope that anyone who is struggling feels that they can reach out and ask for support.

I have recently had to do this myself. Self care is something that does not come naturally to many people; I am one of them. I reached out to people around me when I found the world weighing down and have been given love and support when I needed it. Please don't suffer in silence.

My Christmas wish for our community is that no one feels hungry, cold or alone. Our mental well-being is paramount, especially as the sun hides and the birds sing less loudly.

Reach out to your neighbours, keep checking everyone is ok and ask for help.

Hannah.

VILLAGE CHRISTMAS TREE

Volunteers wanted to erect and dress the tree in mid December.

Please contact Bill Simpson on 835721



In happier times this is what we got up to!

THE WISSETT CALENDAR

This sombre, empty Lockdown brings to mind
The cycle of events which up to now
Has made the calendar of Wissett's year.
Let's start with quiz nights, monthly in the Plough.
Trivial, jolly, sociable pursuits;
With first rate snacks and sandwiches; good beer.

Shrove Tuesday is the calendar's first date.
Church clipping - round the building, hand in hand.
A pancake supper in the Village Hall.
Lemons and sugar; chocolate and cherry sauce.
And music from the Sally Army band.

Sometime in Spring, again the Village Hall;
A larger quiz, with fish and chips to eat.
Then on Good Friday, from the church,
Walk up the green hill, carrying the cross;
For hot cross buns and coffee as a treat.
In May the Plant Sale; bric-a brac, book stall.

About this time, a shindig at The Plough.
Beer Festival and umpteen special brews.
Next comes the Summer Horticultural Show;
With sixty categories of fruit and veg. ;
Flowers and flower arranging; photographs;
Home made jams and chutney; cakes and booze.

Then Open Gardens all the village round.
In the conservatory for splendid teas.
July. Petanque for Bastille Day.
Crowded competition. Wine and cheese.
By August we've the annual barbecue.
Food cooked and served beneath the trees.

September and the church adorned
For Harvest Festival.
Farming, thanksgiving celebration.
A lavish Harvest Supper with hot ham.
A dazzling choice of puddings - culmination.

Remembrance Sunday. Armistice.
November.
Reading out the names of Wissett's fallen.
Last Post. Not old, as we grow old.
Remember.
Patronal feast. St Andrew's Day.
The sandwiches are fishy, shall we say?

The church now decked with shining greenery.
Holly and ivy. Spangled Christmas tree.
It's carol service. Christmas evensong.
Lit-bright with gently moving candlelight.
Crowded, convivial congregation, loud.
Warmth and smiling friendship, Christmas cheer.
And all the people gladly sing along.
The final marker in our village year.

D. B.

ST. ANDREW'S WISSETT



DECEMBER SERVICES

19th - Service of Readings and Music. 6.30
If too many people want to come there will be a repeat of
this service the following day at the same time.
24th - Midnight Mass of the Nativity. 11.30
Please book your place. Ring Nick Evans on 872372

JANUARY SERVICES

Wednesday 6th - Epiphany Service of Light 6.30
No more information is available at the moment. Please
watch the church notice boards.

NEWS FROM ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

:"At last a pattern of services is emerging...". Not for long, but we did have our candlelit All Souls Commemoration in traditional fashion, and we did have an outdoor Remembrance Sunday Service led by both Churchwardens, gathered round the porch decorated by Susan Fitch; Hugh Spink tolled the tenor bell and Tobin Lambert read the Names. The weather was fair, 26 people and one dog came, and it was good to see that the ceremony was much appreciated by some of the 'wider church community'. The church is still decorated with red and rosemary, and the haunting silhouettes of the Great War dead remain in the pews. After all the powder and shot, and an actual PCC on-line vote which favoured a modified Patronal Festival, we shall have to keep St. Andrew's Day 2020 in private after all, remembering how splendid it was last year, with a quarter peal, Jason playing, and Edward in great form, his last celebration with us.

Meanwhile, at present, our rulers are sparing December. We expect to be unable to sing carols in church, quite obviously, but at the time of the usual Carol Service, **6.30 p.m. on Sunday 19th, we plan to have a Service of Readings and Music. It will be necessary to book, through Maggie and me. If more would like to come than we can safely seat, we will put on the same service again at 6.30 the following day.** This year it is our turn to have the **Midnight Mass of the Nativity at 11.30 p.m on Christmas Eve, also booked through us please,** but we cannot have the Crib Service. Our first service planned for 2021 is the **Epiphany Service of Light at 6.30 p.m. on Wednesday 6th January.**

The need for the Foodbank in Halesworth is increasing: thank you to all of you who make donations via the box in St. Andrew's Church.

Nick Evans, Churchwarden

THE WISSETT PLOUGH

Opening times:

Wednesday to Saturday:

12 - 3pm 6pm to 11pm

Sunday: 12 to 5pm



Takeaways available for Sunday roasts only.

That may change so look on the pub notice boards or Facebook page for the latest news.

Watch out for "Christmas in a box!"

During Lockdown the Plough has been serving delicious meals to take away. Hot and tasty.

Now that the pub can open for meals we must support them if we can. The tables are safely spaced and all Covid regulations are followed. Booking is imperative!



CHRISTMAS MENU



Starters:

Onion velouté with fresh bread salted butter

Duck liver parfait, soused cherries, red orange jam, orange gel, crispy crostini

Panko pork belly cubes, apple purée, crackling pencils/ apple crisps

Tempura tiger prawns, sweet chilli aioli, mango salsa
Creamy garlic mushrooms on toasted focaccia with spinach and French dressing

Plough on to Mains

Roast local beef sirloin with all the trimmings, seasonal vegetables. Yorkshire puds

Norfolk black turkey, pig in blanket, seasonal vegetables, Yorkshire puds

Slow roasted thyme and garlic lamb shoulder. Seasonal vegetables/Yorkshire puds

Pan fried halibut with tomato and chorizo sauce. Wilted spinach & pea purée. Buttermilk onions. Sauté pots

Local pork sausage and buttery mash. Rich red wine gravy and seasonal vegetables

Brie and Cranberry Wellington. Sauté pots. Spinach. Canned walnuts, mushroom sauce, pine nuts

Sauté creamy garlic wild mushroom risotto with black truffle oil, toasted herb crumb. Balsamic reduction.

To finish

Chef's signature triple chocolate brownie with white chocolate soil, mousse, ice cream, honeycomb

Home made sticky toffee pudding, salted caramel ice cream, honeycomb, toffee sauce, chocolate pencils

Home made individual apple strudel, ice cream, fresh strawberries & raspberries coulis

Continental cheese selection, luxury biscuits, grapes, celery, red onion marmalade, salted butter

White chocolate cheesecake, caramel glazed, with fresh raspberries, white chocolate soil, raspberry sorbet

Christmas pudding with brandy sauce, white chocolate soil

1 course:£17.95 2 courses £23.00 3 courses £28.00

WISSETT CARPET BOWLS



No bowls until further notice



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RUMBURGH AND DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB (incl. Wissett)

No meetings yet
But...

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AFTER THE LOCKDOWN...

WE ARE IN TIER 2

WHAT ARE THE RULES...?

1. You can't socialise indoors with anyone you don't live with, or who is not in your support bubble.
2. You can meet in a group of 6 outside - including in a garden or a public space.
3. Shops, gyms and personal care services (e.g. hair-dressing) can reopen, if Covid secure
4. Pubs and bars can only reopen if they serve substantial meals. Alcohol can be served with that meal.
5. Pubs and restaurants must shut at 23.00 GMT, with last orders at 22.00 GMT.
6. Sports can resume with up to 2000 spectators, or 50% capacity (whichever is smaller)
7. Collective worship, weddings and outdoor sports can resume (with restrictions)
8. Non-essential foreign travel allowed, subject to quarantine rules.
9. People are advised not to travel to and from tier 3 areas.

The tiers will be reviewed every 14 days, starting on the 16th December.

KEEP EXERCISING!

DON'T BECOME A COUCH POTATO!

There are some lovely circular walks round Wissett that take in our own Bonds Farm Shop. Lovely fresh local vegetables and fruit in season...,

WISSETT VILLAGE HALL

To book the hall phone Elliott on 872460 Lyn or call at Rickyards, Mill Road. The hall du- all costs £6 per hour for the ration of the event and includes tables, chairs, crockery, cutlery etc

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Al Campbell. Design and Build. 874976

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Byebrue 785264

ELECTRICAL

Chris Calver 07777675204 or 874046

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Jane Parker. TCFCPdip. House visits. 07732048837

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BEFORE 20th JANUARY

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