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HORTICULTURAL SHOW

After a break of 3 years, it will be on July 1st.
Classes including flowers, vegetables, kitchen produce,
flower arranging, and photography.



Classes for children ...

miniature gardens, animal made from vegetables, flower arrangements etc .

If you haven't got a schedule please contact Jenny Ball who will deliver one to you.

Now all we need are lots and lots of entries! Everyone has a favourite flower in
their garden. Show off what you have and take home a trophy!



WISSETT PARISH COUNCIL



ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Held before the Parish Council Meeting on 18th May 2023..

The chairman gave his report of the finances and developments over the year.

He thanked the members of the Parish Council and the County and District Councillors for their help, support and time over the last year.

THE PARISH COUNCIL met immediately after the Annual Parish Meeting.

Frank Burton was elected Chair and Matthew Wetmore Deputy Chair unanimously. All duly signed the acceptance of office declarations which were witnessed by the Parish Clerk.

Items under consideration were:

- i) VAS equipment is in use every 2 months
- ii) Grays Lane proposed solar farm. There are still holding objections from various consultees. It is not known when it will go to the Planning Committee, but it will be after the new Local Government officials have been appointed and trained. Our Chairman is to meet the planners.
- iii) Cost of living Crisis Scheme. The Plough closed at the end of April so we no longer have a "warm room" in Wissett. The budget for 2023/24 will remain in place.
- iv) The Beck outside the Village Hall has suffered a further collapse. Neither Highways or the Environment Agency accepts responsibility to repair.
- v) The land near Rumburgh, owned by the Parish has a new tenant.
- vi) Planning applications. There were no objections raised.

Neighbourhood Plan

Melanie Seabrook and Ruth Bishop from East Suffolk Council presented the outline of the process for developing a Neighbourhood Plan and the assistance and grants available. It was resolved to further defer a final decision if to proceed until the next meeting, during which time the Parish Councillors would canvass opinions of Parishioners and ask for volunteers to become involved in the process. A neighbourhood plan based on Wissett would allow parishioners to have a greater say in how land in the parish is developed. It is an opportunity for the village to indicate what its priorities are in developing and maintaining all the land in our area; not just the Conservation area. Villagers are asked to contact the Parish Clerk indicating what their priorities are for future development and whether they would be willing to assist in the formulation of the plan in conjunction with the Parish Council and East Suffolk planning specialists.

The Annual Budget was reviewed

Coronation Mugs

The manufacturer of our mugs made an error and only 12 were supplied, which have already been given to children of school age living in the village. 36 more are on their way and some will be available to buy after any children without a mug have been given one.

Date of next meeting: proposed for Thursday, 20th July 2023

MAGGIE EVANS

We came to Wissett in 2006 not knowing a soul here, but soon realised that we were extremely lucky to find ourselves in such a friendly and welcoming community. I have been overwhelmed by the kindness and support given to me during Maggie's last illness, and since her death on 28th April: I cannot thank you enough. It is also such a pleasure for me to thank everyone for honouring her memory at her funeral, in the church decorated with flowers just as she liked. Then for the wonderful food so generously given for her party and the hard work in the kitchen to keep it going. A lovely day, with the sun shining on her garden. Just as Maggie would have wished. *Nick.*

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH WISSETT

JUNE SERVICES

4th – Team Service at Halesworth
11th Morning Prayer
Team Choral Evensong 6pm at Spexhall
18th Holy Communion
25th Breakfast Church
ALL SERVICES IN WISSETT AT ARE 10 AM

JULY SERVICES (GUESTIMATION)

2nd – Team Service at Halesworth
9th Morning Prayer
Team Choral Evensong 6pm somewhere
16th Holy Communion
23rd Breakfast Church
30th Team Service somewhere

CHURCH NEWS

We thank all those who worked so hard and helped to make the events over the Coronation weekend successful. The evening of words and music was very enjoyable and Anne Andrew's Plant Sale raised over £700 for the upkeep of the church. Many thanks to those who donated cakes for the event.

There was fine weather for the Rogation Walk on Sunday 14th May from Spexhall church to Wissett church. A happy occasion for those that took part including two well behaved dogs.

The church, beautifully decorated with garden and wild flowers as she would have wished, was packed for the very moving funeral service for Maggie Evans on the 18th of May.

Maggie contributed so much to the church and our community and Kath Witherby spoke for us all in Wissett in her tribute to her.

Maggie was much loved, well respected and will be greatly missed. Our thoughts are with Nick, her family and friends.

A few swifts are now swooping over our beautiful church and graveyard. Hopefully in years to come we can see more wildlife and a new addition in the form of a little Oak tree may help to provide this. The little tree, protected by a brown cover has been given to the church by Bishop Martin and planted by Geoffrey Kiddy. Oak trees are said to be one of the best trees for all sorts of creatures so we do hope it will grow and flourish. It is near the hedge on the side furthest from the road.

The church will be decorated again for joyous events, such as the weddings in June and we wish all those being wed every happiness.

Mary Pester

MAGGIE EVANS

Maggie and Nick relocated to Wissett in 2006 leaving behind family and good friends in Gloucestershire where they had enjoyed living at Mill Hill for many years.

Within two years of their arrival in Wissett Maggie was sadly diagnosed with Parkinson's disease, a terrible blow to anyone looking forward to a long retirement and new challenges.

Not Maggie. She wasn't going to succumb without a fight. Maggie, determined to enjoy her life, filled each day with whatever she could do for the village and her many friends both old and new. Many of whom still visit from Gloucestershire.

Maggie was especially happy when her Godchildren and their offspring visited, creating as much chaos as possible, often driving Nick to the solace of his wonderful library, though I'm not sure how much coaxing he really needed.

I'm sure we all recall the Church Helpers Lunches initiated by Maggie and enjoyed by the helpers who maintain this lovely church of ours. Just her way of saying thank you.

The Harvest Suppers she arranged, carefully marshalling all those who assisted with her usual air of authority. Always first in the queue to volunteer providing really lovely food, especially her legendary apple cake at Open Gardens.

Most of all Maggie will be remembered for her stoicism and unwavering support she gave even though at times she was struggling physically, she never complained; her main concern was always for others. Her phone calls always began with "Hello and How are You?" This was a genuine question because she really wanted to know. Maggie always had time to listen, offering advice if needed and never judging. Rare qualities in a truly remarkable person.

We will always be indebted to you Maggie for all you did and the memories you leave us.

Kath Witherby

THE WISSETT PLOUGH

We have no real news BUT we hear that a café is to be opened at the Plough. Run by the owners of the Jungle Room at Metfield.

A very successful drop-in point at the far end of Christmas Lane.

We are sure the village will give support to the new owners in their venture.



BIRDSONG IN WISSETT

There seem to be so many birds singing in Wissett this spring!

I wondered what some of them were so I downloaded an App called Mer-

lin on my phone; I never need to wonder again.

A walk from the bottom of Wash Lane to Spexhall Church and back recorded many usual and unusual birds: chaffinch, robin, blackbird, wren, blackcap, chiffchaff, yellow hammer, greenfinch two sorts of woodpecker, swallow, collared dove, sparrow, woodpigeon, jackdaws blue tit, great tit, garden warbler and a tree creeper.

Another walk, from the bottom of Wash Lane through the Christmas trees, along Mill Road and back round the lakes found a few more: greater whitethroat, skylark, reed warbler, coal tit, jay, magpie, carrion crow plus plus plus!

We know there have been turtle doves in the village in the recent past and last year a wryneck was spotted. If you have the right sort of phone, download MERLIN, free and enjoy Wissett birdsong, not just the joy of returning swifts as they scream up and down the Street. Ed.

GREEN FUNCTIONS

To manage Springtime business - green increase - you must, above all else, be functional.

Seeds, seedlings, shoots and buds

in greenhouse, cloches, borders, beds

must all be cosseted for fruitful growth.

Preventing damping off, while bringing on.

Then pricking out and potting up;

and thinning out and potting on;

if necessary, potting on again.

Then hardening off and planting up;

or out, or both,

into, at last, each well-prepared position.

And watering in. Then topping up.

So every Springtime garden phase and phrase

is ended always with a preposition.

D.B.

FOOD BANK

The Food Bank is in desperate need of contributions. More than **300** households a week are needing food boxes locally. Many more people are in hardship due to loss of earnings and heating costs and contributions have dropped by half. If you can help, please drop off contributions in the church, or if you are in need go to Halesworth Church Hall on Wednesdays, 10.30 to 11.30.

If you would like to donate but cannot get out to do so, you can send a cheque. If you want to donate by cheque the account is Waveney Foodbank, and the address is Les Fearn, 15 De Lucy Close, Diss IP22 4YL. If you prefer to BACS it is to Lloyds Bank, sort code 77-66-12 account number 22139560 account name Waveney Foodbank.

WISSETT CARPET BOWLS



Wednesdays at 7 o'clock in the Village Hall.

Everyone welcome to have a bowl and a chat.

£2 including tea and biscuits

CHARITY PLANT STALL AT RICKYARDS

The charity plant sales at Rickyards, Mill Road, are in favour of the British Heart Foundation.

RUMBURGH AND DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB

ALAN WITHERBY HAS ORGANISED TWO OUTINGS FOR JULY 2023, DETAILS BELOW:

TRIP 1:-

SUNDAY JULY 2ND 2023

TRIP TO KATIE'S GARDEN, NR WOODBRIDGE AND THEN ON TO BARHAM HALL, BARHAM, IP6 0PT

WE WILL USE THE HALESWORTH HOPPA BUS WHICH HOLDS 16 PASSENGERS. PICK UP AT WISSETT CAR PARK 10:00AM, RUMBURGH VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK AT 10:10AM

PAYMENT IS REQUIRED IN ADVANCE, £10 FOR TRAVEL AND £3 ENTRANCE, TEAS NOT INCLUDED. ALAN WILL TRY AND FIND A STOP BETWEEN KATIE'S GARDEN AND BARHAM HALL FOR A CONVENIENCE STOP.

TRIP 2:-

SUNDAY JULY 30TH 2023

TRIP TO A BEAUTIFUL HOUSE AND GARDEN IN EAST BERGHOLT CALLED 'STOUR'.

WE WILL USE THE HALESWORTH HOPPA BUS WHICH HOLDS 16 PASSENGERS. PICK UP AT WISSETT CAR PARK 10:00AM, RUMBURGH VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK AT 10:10AM, ARRIVING AT APPROX 11:30AM

PAYMENT IS REQUIRED IN ADVANCE, JUST £10, ALAN WILL TRY AND FIND SOMETHING TO AMUSE AND ENTERTAIN AFTER THE VISIT. PERHAPS THE HAYWAIN.

TO BOOK FOR EITHER TRIP PLEASE CONTACT ALAN ON 01986 873339 OR witherbys@btinternet.com

WISSETT VILLAGE HALL

The hall costs £7 per hour for the duration of the event and includes all tables, chairs, crockery, cutlery etc. These are included in the hire charge. Heating is by a £1 or £2 slot meter. There is a returnable deposit of £50. Please book online at wissettvillagehall@gmail.com

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Help sometimes needed on the day.***



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AVON TOILETRIES

Hannah Pretty, 3, Brickhill Cottages, Wissett 835780

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Al Campbell. Design and Build. 874976

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Byebrue 785264

ELECTRICIAN

Chris Calver 07777675204 or 874046

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GARDEN PLANTS

For sale outside 20 The Street, Rickyards, Mill Road
and 9 The Street

MILK

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MOBILE LIBRARY.

The mobile library is calling in Wissett, every 4 weeks on
Thursdays and stops in the VILLAGE CAR PARK from
around 2:05pm until 2:25pm. June 1st & 29th, July 27th 2023

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BEFORE 20th JULY

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